



PERU HIKE
Travel & Expeditions

HUCHUY QOSQO TREK AND SHORT INCA TRAIL 3 DAYS

EXPLORE AND LIVE UNFORGETTABLE MOMENTS



DESCRIPTION

Huchuy Qosqo Trek and Inca Trail to Machu Picchu is a unique combined adventure designed for travelers who want to explore two authentic Inca routes in a short amount of time. This experience blends the peaceful landscapes of the Huchuy Qosqo Trek with the legendary Short Inca Trail, creating a perfect balance of culture, history, and adventure.

The journey begins with the scenic **Huchuy Qosqo 1-Day Hike**, where you will walk along ancient Inca paths to reach the impressive archaeological site of **Huchuy Qosqo**, an important Inca administrative center located high above the Sacred Valley. Along the way, you will enjoy panoramic mountain views, traditional Andean scenery, and a quiet route away from the crowds.

The adventure then continues on the **2-Day Short Inca Trail**, starting at KM 104. This historic section of the Inca Trail takes you through lush cloud forests, original stone staircases, and remarkable archaeological sites. You will visit iconic places such as **Wiñay Wayna** and finally enter Machu Picchu through the famous **Sun Gate (Inti Punku)**, where you will enjoy your first breathtaking view of Machu Picchu.

This tour includes an overnight stay at a comfortable hotel in **Aguas Calientes**, allowing you to rest before your guided visit to Machu Picchu on the final day. During the guided tour, you will learn about the history, architecture, and spiritual importance of this UNESCO World Heritage Site.



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Why Choose This Tour?

- ✓ Combine the Huchuy Qosqo Trek with the iconic Inca Trail to Machu Picchu.
- ✓ Explore two authentic Inca routes in just three days.
- ✓ Visit key Inca sites such as Huchuy Qosqo, Wiñay Wayna, and Machu Picchu.
- ✓ Hike through Andean landscapes, cloud forests, and original Inca paths.
- ✓ Perfect for travelers with limited time seeking culture and adventure.
- ✓ Enjoy a comfortable overnight stay in Aguas Calientes.

Our guide and private transportation will pick you up from your hotel at 7:00 a.m. in Cusco. We then drive for approximately 2 hours to reach the starting point of the hike at Coricocha Lagoon, a beautiful high-Andean location surrounded by impressive mountain scenery.

From Coricocha Lagoon, we begin our hike with a mostly flat walk around the lagoon, enjoying peaceful landscapes, traditional agricultural terraces, and wide-open Andean views. A short uphill section leads us to Apacheta Pass, the first mountain pass of the day and a remarkable viewpoint offering breathtaking panoramic views of the Sacred Valley.

After taking time to enjoy the scenery at Apacheta Pass, we continue along a flat trail for approximately 1 hour until reaching Pumamarka Pass, the second pass of the route. From here, we enter the impressive Pumamarka Inca Canyon, following an ancient Inca trail as we begin a gradual descent through a dramatic landscape rich in history.

The hike leads us to the archaeological site of Huchuy Qosqo, where we enjoy a guided tour, exploring its temples, plazas, and agricultural terraces while learning about its historical and cultural significance. After the visit, we enjoy a box lunch at Huchuy Qosqo, surrounded by spectacular panoramic views of the Sacred Valley.

Later, we continue descending to the village of Lamay, where our private vehicle will be waiting. In the afternoon, we drive to Ollantaytambo, where we will have dinner and rest at the hotel, preparing for the next day's adventure.

**WALKING DISTANCE**

15 km / 9,3 mi

MEALSSnack, lunch and dinner
(Plus Snack)**ACCOMMODATION**

Hotel

Your adventure begins early in the morning in Ollantaytambo, located in the heart of the Sacred Valley. You will wake up at 4:30 a.m. and enjoy an early breakfast at your hotel, preparing calmly for the day ahead.

After breakfast, you will walk approximately 7 minutes to the Ollantaytambo train station, conveniently located near your hotel, and board your train for a scenic journey along the Urubamba River, surrounded by impressive Andean landscapes as the morning light reveals the beauty of the region.

The train takes you to Km 104, the official starting point of the trek. Upon arrival, your guide will provide a brief orientation and safety briefing, and you will receive a light snack to enjoy during the hike. You then begin walking along the original Classic Inca Trail, surrounded by lush cloud-forest vegetation and sacred mountains once worshipped by the Incas.

After approximately three hours of hiking, you will reach the impressive archaeological complex of Wiñay Wayna (2,650 m / 8,694 ft). Here, you will explore its agricultural terraces, ceremonial fountains, and temples, and enjoy a well-prepared box lunch nearby, allowing time to rest and recharge.

The hike continues toward the legendary Sun Gate (Inti Punku), where you will enjoy your first panoramic view of Machu Picchu, dramatically framed by towering mountains at the edge of the Amazon jungle. From here, you will continue walking to the Classic Viewpoint, a beautiful lookout located on the upper part of Machu Picchu, where you will enjoy a closer perspective of the citadel and take the classic, postcard-style photographs of Machu Picchu from this stunning vantage point above the site.

In the late afternoon, when most visitors have already left, you will enjoy a quieter and more peaceful atmosphere as you complete your visit. Finally, you will take a bus down to Aguas Calientes, where you will check in to your hotel and enjoy a delicious dinner. We recommend resting early, as the following morning brings your long-awaited guided visit to Machu Picchu.



WALKING DISTANCE
9 km / 5.59 mi



MEALS
Snack, lunch and dinner.



ACCOMMODATION
Hotel



After a well-deserved night of rest, the day you have been waiting for finally arrives. Today, you will explore the mysterious streets of the Historic Sanctuary of Machu Picchu, one of the most iconic archaeological sites in the world.

Our day begins at dawn. We will board a bus for a scenic 25-minute ride up to the entrance of the Inca citadel, arriving just as the first rays of sunlight begin to paint this sacred place in golden hues.

Once inside Machu Picchu, you will enjoy a guided tour lasting approximately 2 hours, during which our professional guide will share the history, legends, and architectural secrets of this extraordinary site. After the guided visit, you will have plenty of free time to continue exploring Machu Picchu at your own pace.

For those seeking an extra adventure, you may choose to hike Huayna Picchu or Machu Picchu Mountain, both of which have an additional cost and can be added at the time of booking.

You will have more than 4 hours in total to enjoy this magical city before hiking back down to Aguas Calientes. In the afternoon, you will board the train at approximately 16:22 Hours (subject to availability) to Ollantaytambo. From there, a private bus will transfer you back to your hotel in Cusco, arriving around 20:00 Hours.

Rest your feet and your body—because while the journey ends today, the memories of Machu Picchu will remain in your heart for weeks, months, and even years to come.





INCLUSIONS

INCLUDED / NOT INCLUDED

At Peru Hike company, we specify the included and non-included services under all the tour itineraries listed on our website. We take care of all the logistics, but please pay attention to the details to avoid missing anything. Some items may be different for specific programs, so please read carefully before booking with us.

WHAT IS INCLUDED?

High Quality Service & Safety

- ✓ Pre-departure briefing
- ✓ Experienced Guide speaks English and Spanish
- ✓ Medical Kit – First Aid Kit
- ✓ Customer Service 24/7
- ✓ Extra oxygen

Permits & Entrance Tickets

- ✓ Entrance Ticket to Huchuy Qosqo
- ✓ Entrance Ticket to Inca Trail Hike
- ✓ Entrance Ticket to Machu Picchu Circuit (1 and 3)

Transportation

- ✓ Private transportation from Cusco to At the beginning of the Huchuy qosqo Hike
- ✓ Private Transportation from the end of the Huchuy qosqo walk to Ollantaytambo to our Hotel
- ✓ **Day 1:** Train Ticket from Ollantaytambo To KM 104 Chachabamba
- ✓ **Day 1:** Bus ticket down from Machu Picchu to Aguas Calientes
- ✓ **Day 2:** Bus ticket to Machu Picchu round trip
- ✓ **Day 2 (Return):** Train Ticket from Aguas Calientes to Ollantaytambo
- ✓ **Day 2 (Return):** Private transport from Ollantaytambo train station to your hotel in Cusco.

Meals

- ✓ Meals: 2 Breakfasts, 2 Lunches, and 2 Dinners
- ✓ Meals: vegetarian and vegan

Accommodation

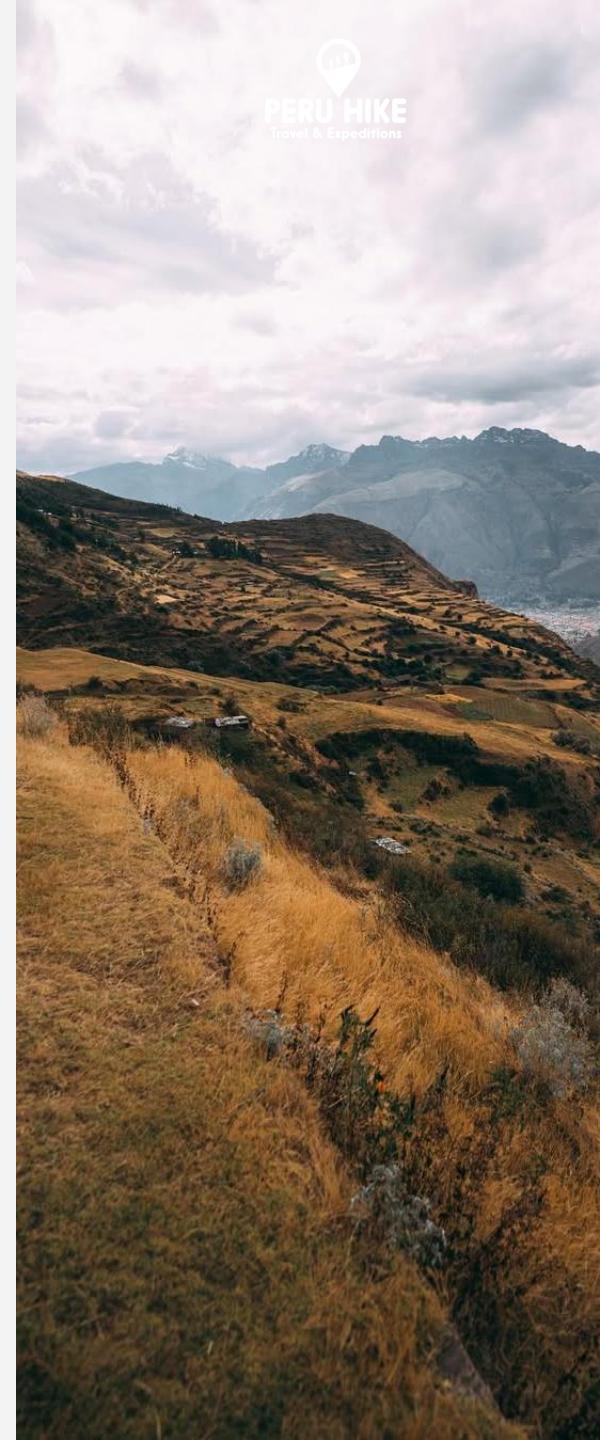
- ✓ Hotel in Ollantaytambo
- ✓ Hotel in Aguas Calientes



WHICH IS NOT INCLUDED?

What Is Not Included?

- Travel Insurance
- Tips for our staff





BEFORE YOU GO

Is it for me?

We want to make your trip to Peru as memorable and as carefree as possible. In this section, you'll find the answers to all the questions you have about traveling with Peru Hike Company in one place. Please read the following information carefully – it will help you with any questions about our services.

How many days do I need to acclimate in Cusco before the Trek?

It's very important to be well acclimated to the altitude before exerting yourself on a trek. We recommend that you arrive in Cusco at least 2 or 3 days before the trek starts to help you adjust and avoid possible problems with altitude sickness while on the trek. You might have already been in another area of Peru at a high altitude before arriving in Cusco. In that case, we still recommend you have a whole day in Cusco to rest, recover from your travel, and enjoy the sights and sounds of Cusco before departing for the trek. Here are some suggestions for activities to do in the Cusco vicinity before starting your adventure trek:

City Tour and Sacred Valley



City Tour



Sacred Valley



Briefing or Information Meetings

All information meetings and briefings are held in our main office in Cusco (or your hotel) at 5:00 pm, one night before the tour begins. These meetings last approximately 30 to 45 minutes. If you're unable to attend, you must coordinate another meeting by email, by phone or at the Peru Hike Company office.



Trek Balance Payment (in Cusco)

The trek has to be paid for in full at most 6:30 pm one day before your departure (generally after the briefing). It would be much appreciated if you pay the trek balance in cash US dollars or local currency at our office in Cusco. You can withdraw some money from several ATMs along Avenida Sol (either in US dollars or local Peruvian Soles). You can pay by credit card or PAYPAL online, but you will have to pay a charge, charged by VISA and PAYPAL. We do not accept bank checks or payment of the balance by traveler's checks.



Group tours

Group tours are made up of different types of people, then physical condions and ages can vary. By agreeing to be part of a group tour, you also accept that some people may be faster or slower than you. Therefore, each person can go at their own pace on the route. It may be the case that a group wishes to modify the tour; however, the guide will be the one who decides, aer consulting with all the parcipants, if such modificaions are possible.



Duffel Bag or Canvas Case

You'll receive a canvas case or duffel bag during your briefing. Our horses will carry them, and the horsemen will hand them to you when you get to each camp. They measure 60 x 24 x 22 cm (23.6 x 9.45 x 8.66 in). A maximum of 8 kg / 17 lb is allowed for each duffel bag, including the weight of your sleeping bag, sleeping mat, clothes, and other personal items.



Strikes and demonstraons

Strikes and demonstraons are usually common in Peru, and this may interrupt some of our tours. Roads can be blocked, and train tracks can be taken over. However, we will try to keep your trip as originally planned, even if it means leaving the night before the scheduled date. Under these circumstances, tours may also be canceled. In case of changes or cancellaons, everything will be coordinated with you by our operaons department. Your safety is our highest priority, and our decisions will be made to protect it.



Can I store my luggage at your office?

Of course! During the trip, your main luggage can be stored at our office (you can organize it with us on the briefing day or by email) or at your hotel, both free of charge. Any equipment that you won't need on the trek can be stored safely in your hotel. Nearly every hotel will provide this service. Don't leave items of value with your bags; put them in the hotel safe and obtain an itemized receipt (in the unlikely case of the, many insurance companies require that you have a copy of the receipt itemizing everything). It's best to put items such as credit cards inside a sealed, signed envelope for extra peace of mind.



Lost Objects

Please pay aenon to where you leave your things and remember to take everything once you leave our transport, tents, or restaurants. You're the only one responsible for your objects during the tour



Pick up of guests

Peru Hike Company can pick you up from your hotel, as long as it's in the Historical Center of Cusco. Your guide will coordinate the pickup me in the briefing session, but please keep in mind that the me may vary between 30 and 45 minutes due to traffic. Cusco is an old city, meaning it has many narrow cobbled streets. Some hotels and Airbnbs may be located on streets without access to cars or on long, steep slopes, making it difficult to transport luggage. We strongly recommend that you book accommodaon with good access.

THANHS!

DO YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS?



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