



**CLASSIC INCA TRAIL
+ ACTIVITIES**
9 Days / 8 Nights



FOLLOW THE OLD ROUTE OF THE INCAS, EXPLORE THE ANDES AND DISCOVER THE MYSTERIES OF MACHU PICCHU

Who We Are? - MACHUPICCHU TERRA S.R.L

INCA TRAIL MACHU PICCHU is a brand MACHUPICCHU TERRA, Travel Agency and Tour Operator authorized to sell **Inca Trail Machu Picchu**. Our company is located in Cusco, the capital of the Inca Empire and the Tourist Capital of South America.

We created this web site considering that availability for the **Inca Trail Machu Picchu** is quickly exhausted; since it is limited to only 500 people per day (including support staff porters, chefs, guides, etc..) making it extremely necessary booking several months in advance; at least 6 months in advance.

MACHU PICCHU TERRA, feels proud to provide superior service to all our customers, and we manage all services necessary to operate and organize all the packages offered, cars, minibuses, equipment, office-qualified staff, specialized assistants and guides professionals.

Whether you are looking for a trip to Peru that includes a hike to Machu Picchu or just a relaxing family vacation, it is our mission to MACHUPICCHU TERRA work with you to create your trip to Peru. We welcome all types of customers with special travel interests, economic and Premium. Our excellent service always searches at any time and satisfy all customers throughout Peru.

All MACHUPICCHU TERRA packages have been prepared by our travel consultants with experience and knowledge, our company MACHUPICCHU TERRA is based on 4 different categories of hotels:

- Basic Class, based on 2 stars hotels.
- Economy Class, based on 3 stars hotels.
- Premium Class, based on 4 stars hotels.
- VIPs Class, based on 5 stars hotels.

Legitimacy of Inca Trail Machu Picchu

MACHU PICCHU TERRA is an Authorized Agency by the Ministry of Culture, the assigned code is: **MA0473**, responsible and efficient company willing to provide the best service.

Our main objective is satisfy the expectations of our customers, so we have a **chat online in real time** where our travel agents will attend you with any questions and / or consultation.

You can check on the official website: <http://www.machupicchu.gob.pe/> following the next steps:

- Go to the menu of the page, on the tab "**Queries**"
- At the bottom click the tab "**Travel Agency**"
- The search can do it by name: "**MACHUPICCHU TERRA**" or code "**MA0473**"



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Inca Trail + Activities 9 days / 8 nights

Arriving in Cusco will have the day off to learn a little of the city, make tours to the major sites of Cusco and a full day excursion to the **Sacred Valley** and finally made the trip to of **Classic Inca Trail** is part of the network Inca roads developed to link the main administrative and religious centers throughout Tawantinsuyo. If travelers who do not want to do this arduous trek, they have other alternatives to reach **Machu Picchu**.

Recommendations:

- ✓ Carry passport and / or ISIC (if a student) card.
- ✓ A backpack to carry your personal things.
- ✓ Personal sleeping bag.
- ✓ Suitable footwear for walking with broad support for his ankle.
- ✓ Light clothing for the walk. Hat, shorts, t-shirt or light shirts, insect repellent and sunscreen.
- ✓ Warm clothing for cold nights, long-sleeved shirts, sweaters, jacket, hat and gloves.
- ✓ Swimsuit (if you go to the hot springs).
- ✓ Grooming kit: small towel, toilet paper, etc.
- ✓ Raincoat and / or umbrella.
- ✓ Camera and / or camcorder.
- ✓ Flashlight.
- ✓ Extra batteries.
- ✓ Embase vacuum to provide water from the second day.
- ✓ Medicine and / or personal items. (few bandages, muscle ache lotion, pills for altitude sickness, fever, upset stomach).
- ✓ Book, notebook & pen.
- ✓ Extra money in small denominations.

Day 01 Cusco

Reception at the airport and transfer to Hotel in Cusco. Rest of the day free to explore the city.

- ✓ Reception at the airport
- ✓ Transfer by bus, Cusco airport – Hotel



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Day 02 Combined Tour

In the afternoon we will pick you from your hotel then to go to the first place of visit La **Catedral of Cusco City**. The construction of this monument took 132 years, receiving its final consecration in 1669. Today, become the icon of the city, this magnificent temple built on an area of over 4000 square meters, keeps in its 11 chapels, 1 sacristy, 1 chapter, 7 altarpieces, one choir under fully carved in cusquenian cedar wood, executed by an Indian teacher work and Spanish teacher, being the ideological mentor the cathedral canon Diego Arias de la Cerda, also has more than 300 paintings and various carvings and sculptures.

Then we will visit the **Temple of Koricancha** or Temple of the Sun considered one of the most sacred and impressive buildings that had the Incas. It is said that housed a select group of Inca priests in charge of worshiping the moon and the sun considered one of the most sacred and impressive buildings that had the Incas. Then we go to outside of the city to visit the Archaeological Park

of **Sacsayhuaman**, which is one of the most significant archaeological legacies that Cusco has, composed of huge blocks of stone. Then visit Qenqo, which was a ceremonial center because it houses a giant monolith, possibly an animal, which was the main deity, surrounded by niches, where offerings were placed. Ending the visit we go to **Puca Pucara** is an archaeological complex whose functions are still unknown to archaeologists and finally we will make a last stop at the archaeological site of **Tambomachay**, is a beautiful place where water emerges from a hill toward some sources constructed by the Incas, it is said that the Inca came here to take baths and perform their religious cults water.

- ✓ Pick up from Hotel
- ✓ Tourist transportation for the tour
- ✓ Specialized professional guide
- ✓ Entrance fees to places of visit



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Day 03 Tour Sacred Valley

Breakfast at the hotel.

At 07:30 hours in the morning we pick up you from your hotel and we'll go on a tourist bus to the **Sacred Valley** of the Incas.

This beautiful valley is composed by numerous rivers which descend through canyons. First we go to the archaeological center of **Pisac**, awesome building built in the boom period of the Inca empire, where the great work achieved by the Incas built is observed. Then visit the village of Pisac, where we find a craft market. For those who like to buy souvenirs, this place is definitely one of the best places to do so, as there is plenty of alpaca wool items, silver jewelry and gold, among others.

Continuing we headed to the town of **Urubamba** where will have a buffet lunch at one of the restaurants that offers you the best presentations of dishes from the region of Cusco. After lunch we head to the town of **Ollantaytambo**, where we will visit the beautiful fortress of the same name. After the guided tour culminated in Ollantaytambo we will go to last place is the village of **Chincho**, we'll visit the archaeological site where stands the Inca agricultural terraces and then we will visit one of the craft stores and inca textoria.

Return to Cusco.

- ✓ Pick up from Hotel
- ✓ Tourist transportation for the tour
- ✓ Specialized professional guide
- ✓ Entrance fees to places of visit
- ✓ Buffet lunch in Urubamba



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Day 04 Cusco – km. 82 – Huayllabamba

Early morning, we will pick your hotel and then go by bus to a private **Piscacucho** located at kilometer 82 (2,800 m / 9,186 ft), in the way we will pass through the Sacred Valley of the Incas, for populations Urubamba and Ollantaytambo, to make a short stop here for you to visit the local market and buy some groceries for the walk, then continue our journey to Piscacucho. Upon arrival at Km 82 Piscacucho pass the control to start the walk along the **Urubamba River**.

In this first section of the Inca Trail, visit the small community of **Miskay** (2,800 m / 9,186 ft), later start ascending towards a small plateau, where we will enjoy a superb Andean landscape and Inca building known as **Patallacta**, located at 2,750 m / 9,022 ft, here we can see some agricultural terraces that served to feed different places travelers taking this route to get to Machu Picchu.

Then continue walking through a crowded area where vegetation is very likely seen the giant hummingbird, after walking for about 2 hours we arrive at our first camp in the area **Huayllabamba** 3,000 m / 9,842 ft Huayllabamba is a small town surrounded by fields of corn, potato crops and other products, here we will have our first camp.

Note:

This first day is usually hot during the dry season (May to September), therefore it is recommended to wear light clothing, as well as a good sunscreen and a good hat or cap.

- ✓ Pick up from Hotel
- ✓ Transfer by bus, Cusco – Km 82
- ✓ Entrance ticket to the Inca Trail
- ✓ Specialized professional guide
- ✓ Meals: Lunch and Dinner
- ✓ Overnight at Camp



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Day 05 Huayllabamba – Pacaymayu

On this day we will have a great challenge, to ascend the pass of **Warmihuañusca**, for starters we have a refreshing breakfast then begin our trek toward the Valley Ayapata which took 1 hour to get to this area, this is known to possess a micro climate of high Andean valley. Then pass through a narrow path full of vegetation, through a small bridge that will take us through a cloud forest, with unsurpassed beauty until to climb up to the highest point of **Warmihuañusca**, name Quechua means “*When the woman dies*“, this point has a height of 4,200 m / 13,779 ft, along the climb will appreciate how the vegetation changes however this place is one of the most beautiful and once you have conquered the summit, we will be offset by a beautiful view of the mountains and Andean scenery.

Then descend by a winding valley to reach a point where we stop for lunch. In this way it is possible to observe several types of birds. We follow the path until you reach the Valley of the River **Pacaymayu** (3,600 m / 11,811 ft), where we will have our second camp.

- ✓ Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner
- ✓ Specialized professional guide
- ✓ Overnight at Camp

Day 06 Pacaymayu – Wiñaywayna

For many visitors, this is one of the longest days, but at the same time one of the most beautiful, because of the presence of Inca sites along the trail. After a nutritious breakfast, we will trek ascending a steep path. We will go through a second opening where the archaeological sites of **Runkuracay** (3,800 m / 12,467 ft) which is named for its unique shape of half circle. This semicircular shape allows protected from strong winds in the area. Then ascend towards **Yanacocha** (Black Lake) lagoon and then proceed to **Sayaqmarca** (3,600 m / 11,811 ft), “*The dominant people*“, where we interesting Inca ruins, and will have a panoramic view of the valley Acobamba, the only how to access these buildings is via a steep stone staircase. During the tour passes **Conchamarca**, a small recently discovered archaeological site.



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After, we continue uphill and we'll get the first tunnel along the way, then continue climbing until you reach the third and final open, where we see the people of **Phuyupatamarca** (3,665 m / 12,024 ft), "Village above the clouds", which is undoubtedly one of the most original along the **Inca Trail** citadels. It is located on the edge of a ravine. Here we will find many cultivation terraces and ceremonial fountains.

After visiting this site, descend about 2,000 cobblestone stairs to the citadel of **Wiñaywayna** (2,700 m / 8,858 ft), which means "Forever Young", is located at an altitude of 2,490 m / 8,675 ft, and the name derived by the typical orchids that can be found throughout the year with flowers in red, yellow and purple. This is possibly the most attractive of all the palaces along the **Inca Trail**, and the last urban center before reaching Machu Picchu. It was built on the slopes of the mountains, is divided into four main parts: housing at the bottom, with over 20 buildings, the area holding the ritual sources, area of cultivation terraces and the area of the tower.

After exploring every corner of **Wiñaywayna**, we head to our last camp, which is located a few meters away. This is the night when we say goodbye to our porters and staff of the tour, so at night a small party to thank everyone for sharing with the group this beautiful experience will take place.

- ✓ Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner
- ✓ Specialized professional guide
- ✓ Overnight at Camp

Day 07 Wiñaywayna – Machu Picchu – Cusco

On this last day we get up early and then have breakfast and continue our walk, after three hours of walking, we reach the area **Intipunku** or Puerta del Sol (2,490 m / 8,169 ft). A small complex of small buildings that apparently seem to have been used as a control. It is an excellent opportunity to take panoramic pictures of the citadel of Machu Picchu. If the traveler has begun to walk early, arrive just before dawn, this is perhaps the best place and time to contemplate the majestic splendor of **Machu Picchu**, the Lost City of the Incas.



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It was long thought that Machu Picchu was part of a legend, until 1911 that the American explorer Hiram Bingham discovered Machu Picchu rises to a height of 2,430 m / 7,980 ft. in the middle of a tropical forest, and an extraordinary location. It was definitely one of the most amazing urban creation in Inca heyday. Its massive walls, terraces and ramps seem to be continuously cut naturally in the rocky cliffs.

Then descend to walk the Inca **Citadel of Machu Picchu**, we will have a guided tour by our local guide about 2 hours, followed by free time for you to enjoy this wonder of the world regardless visit Wayna Picchu (not included in tour).

Then descend by bus to **Aguas Calientes** (2,160 m / 7,087 ft), where you can visit the hot springs of the people (10 Soles entrance is not included in the tour). Return to Cusco.

- ✓ Meals: Breakfast or Box Lunch
- ✓ Specialized professional guide
- ✓ Ticket to Machu Picchu
- ✓ Bus Machu Picchu – Aguas Calientes
- ✓ Return train, Aguas Calientes – Ollantaytambo
- ✓ Transfer by bus, Ollantaytambo – Cusco

Day 08 Día libre en Cusco

Breakfast in the hotel. Rest of day free.

- ✓ Breakfast at hotel

Day 9 Cusco – Lima

Breakfast in the Hotel. Transfer to the airport. Flight to the city of **Lima**. Arrival and waiting for your international flight.

- ✓ Breakfast at hotel
- ✓ Transfer by bus, Hotel – Cusco airport



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Why choose MACHUPICCHU TERRA?

1. Personalized Attention

Each traveler or group of travelers are greeted on arrival at the airport or bus station by one of our representatives and then take him to his hotel and you can rest. During the transfer from the airport or bus station to the hotel, each passenger receives general information and practical recommendations about the city where you are, then you will get detailed information about the places you will visit during your stay in the city. At the end of the day, all passengers fill a report with feedback on our services, this will help us to improve every day. Nuestra empresa ofrece facilidades de viaje, flexibilidad y libertad que usted desee. Por eso se ha creado una variedad de viajes a los lugares que pueden ser combinados por un precio razonable.

2. Social Conscience and Sustentable Tourism

It is aimed at generating employment opportunities. Every time you make use of our services, a new job opportunity is created for poor people. We cooperate with communities providing food donations, social visits and health campaigns. At the same time, we offer trips of relaxation and culture, the company maintains respect for communities, customs, culture and environment providing education in care of the natural environment of the community and tourist places to be visited, and those who benefit with our visit as a fundamental principle. Our company supports the local people and help improve their quality of life in different activities.

3. Policy and Code of Conduct

Always we respect all agreements made between you and the agency. We work professionally in every detail, as we consider only the total satisfaction of our customers is our best endorsement and

the recommendation of our service is the result of a satisfied customer. When we provide our services, always we identify with our passengers.

4. Fair Prices

We are a tour operator, this means that we operate our tours directly and all the services we offer. For that reason, no increases in our rates, and consequently our prices are quite reasonable. Our rates are the result of an analysis of the costs and at the same time ensuring a fair return to our work.

5. Environmental Protection

In our company we help preserve the environment by providing ongoing training to our staff in the field of environmental protection this training will help us to develop professionally in the workplace, so they can offer you a quality service, we also educate people from distant places and places where our groups make their visits as well as assisting in the collection of inorganic waste in some communities to care for their natural environment, in the different visits or walks we try not damage the ecology, through the use of natural materials that do not pollute the place to visit, and the proper use of water without chemicals to maintain the natural purity thereof. All this has a purpose, that each customer whom we serve help us to promote our services, our culture and natural wealth. We develop close cooperation with Andean communities to explain on the protection of the environment.

One of the priorities of the company is the management of environment, therefore we are committed to comply with applicable law.

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Interesting Links - Inca Trail - MACHUPICCHU TERRA

Inca Trail Weather: Weather Seasons and Ecological Levels of the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu Historical Sanctuary. Seasons adequate to do the Inca Trail.

<http://incatrailmachupicchu.org/inca-trail-weather/>

Inca Trail Detailed Map: Check the Inca Trail Map, altitude Inca Trail map and detailed map of the route with their archaeological sites located along the route.

<http://incatrailmachupicchu.org/inca-trail-detailed-map/>

Inca Trail Trekking Regulations & Fees: The number of hikers is increasing the Peruvian government established conservation standards that are necessary to fulfill the preservation of the Inca Trail.

<http://incatrailmachupicchu.org/inca-trail-regulations-fees/>

Inca Trail Responsible Tourism: The customs, language and environment are different, responsible tourism is vital so you can interact more easily during your trip.

<http://incatrailmachupicchu.org/inca-trail-responsible-tourism/>

Inca Trail Permits: The spaces or permits for the Inca Trail are limited. To preserve the UNESCO and the government limited the access to the Inca Trail.

<http://incatrailmachupicchu.org/inca-trail-permits/>

Inca Trail Availability Online: Plan your trip by checking the availability of spaces on the Inca Trail on the date of your trip. Book early because spaces are limited to only 500 people per day.

<http://incatrailmachupicchu.org/availability-online-inca-trail-to-machu-picchu/>

Inca Trail Route Options: The Inca Trail has several alternative routes some more famous than others, such as Traditional and Short Inca Trail, Lares, Salkantay, Choquequirao, Inca Jungle.

<http://incatrailmachupicchu.org/inca-trail-route-options/>

Inca Trail Tours & Guides: Because the mass of tourists who make the different routes of the Inca Trail, today is a must do so with a licensed guide.

<http://incatrailmachupicchu.org/inca-trail-tours/>

Inca Trail Fitness, Exercise and Heart Rate: The route of the Inca Trail requires good physical condition because of its difficulty, for being located in a very uneven geographical area and high.

<http://incatrailmachupicchu.org/inca-trail-fitness/>

Inca Trail Altitude Effects: During the hike the Inca Trail will amount to 5000 meters, so the body needs more oxygen causing some ailments.

<http://incatrailmachupicchu.org/inca-trail-altitude-effects/>

Inca Trail Equipment and Packing: It is essential to have the proper luggage to the Inca Trail, otherwise you can not continue the path of the walk going Machu Picchu.

<http://incatrailmachupicchu.org/inca-trail-equipment-packing/>

Planning Your Inca Trail Trip: The Inca Trail experience that needs to be well planned, the details as season, which carry luggage, choose the appropriate path.

<http://incatrailmachupicchu.org/planning-your-inca-trail-trip/>

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