



SALKANTAY TREK
MACHU PICCHU
5 Days / 4 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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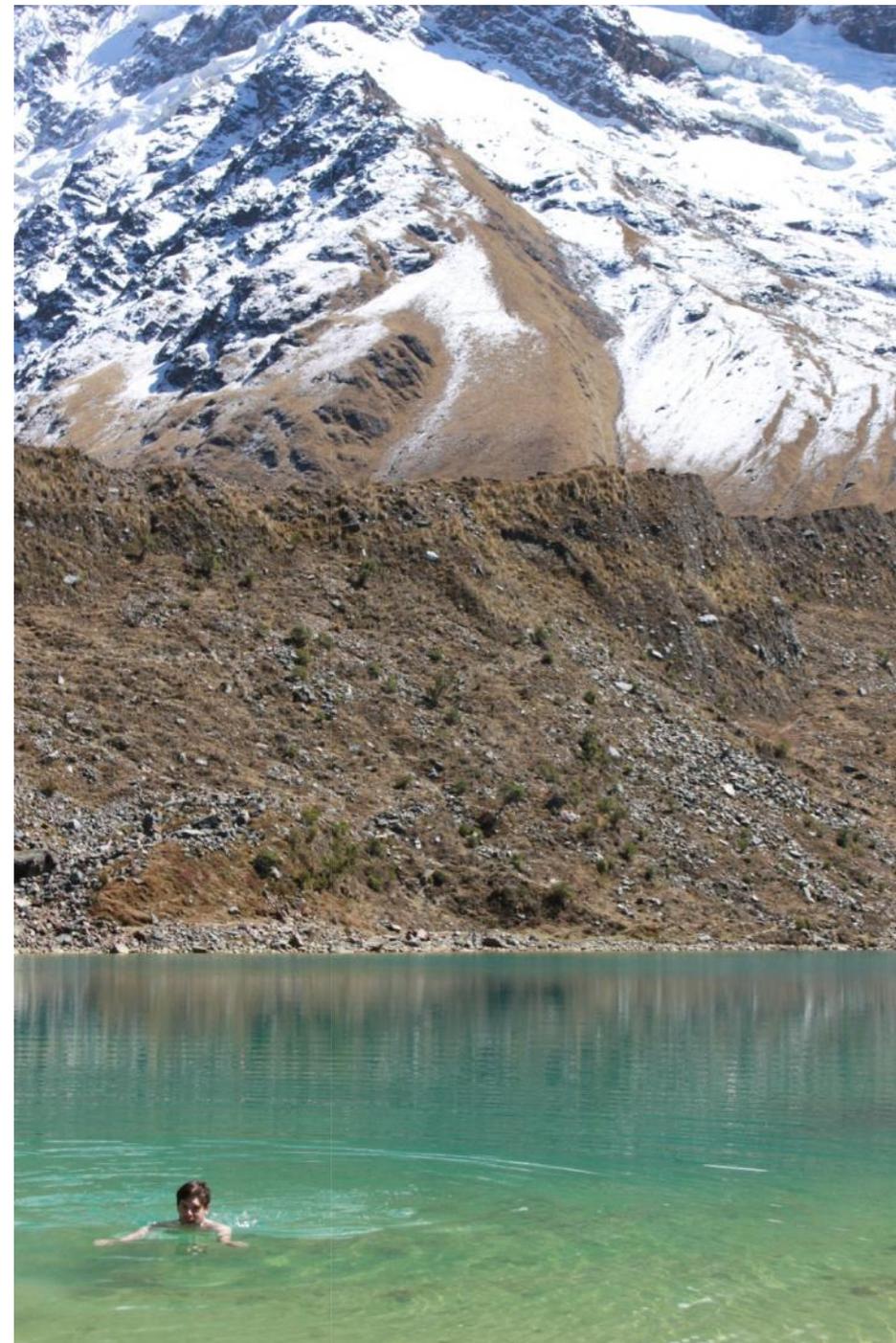
It is an ancient and remote footpath alternative *Inca Trail*, it has much more spectacular views and with diverse ecological zones we will walk between lakes, breathtaking snow-capped as **Salkantay** and Humantay, crossing rivers and subtropical vegetation and abundant wildlife. This road is an excellent choice for those who wish to escape the more congested routes more quickly, or for those who are seeking an alternative because the traditional Inca Trail spaces are occupied.

This impressive tour passes under the magnificent **Salkantay** Mountain (6,710 m. / 20,569 ft.), one of the highest and most stunning in the Peruvian Andes. His first two days will be dominated by the impressive peaks of Salkantay and Humantay while walking by the high Andean landscape. The third day descend into the warm cloud forest, to reach Aguas Calientes on the fourth day.

The impressive Sacred Inca citadel of **Machu Picchu** is visited on the last day of the program. This tour is an interesting option for those who have not found space in the path of the **Inca Trail to Machu Picchu**. The Salkantay tour, was recently named by National Geographic Adventure Travel in the top 25 tours worldwide..

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.



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- ✓ 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 – Mollepata – Soraypampa

We will pick her hotel at 05:00 to 05:15 hrs. with transport agency to travel for 2 hours and 30 minutes approximately, en route we will observe beautiful views of the mountains surrounding the valley of Cusco including **Salkantay** Mountain and several high Andean villages and large areas of growing potatoes and corn. At arrival to the village of **Mollepata** (2,900 m / 9,514 ft) in this town have the option to have breakfast if you did not also do last minute shopping (ponchos, batteries, sunscreen etc.).

We will take the transport again to travel by an hour to **Challacancha** (3,675 m / 12,057 ft) during this short tour you will see the stunning valleys of Mollepata. In Challacancha know our entire trek team (cook, porters, mules) will give us a warm welcome and then prepare for our adventure in the mountains have the option of putting the backpack on the horse, the guide will give a brief explanation before the walk, then we will walk for three hours during our walk we will observe the **Nevado de Humantay** (5,917 m / 19,412 ft) the place to walk is an andean flat to acclimatize better for the rest of the way.

Arriving at our camp **Soraypampa** (3,850 m / 12,631 ft) observe the impressive mountain of Salkantay, at camp our team will wait for us and then proceed to have an Andean novo lunch after enjoying lunch we will have a 30-minute nap and then begin our trek to the beautiful **lagoon of Humantay** 1 hour and a half in ascending to the lagoon Humantay then we will have a time to enjoy the beautiful scenery of the lake and glaciers in the mountains, then descend for 1 hour to camp, we will arrive at tea time so we talk with the group, then enjoy dinner and finally rest.

- ✓ Pick up from Hotel
- ✓ Tourist transport, Cusco – Mollepata
- ✓ Specialized professional guide
- ✓ Meals: Lunch and Dinner



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- ✓ Overnight at Camp

Day 02 Soraypampa – Challway

The day starts early at 05:00 am, then enjoy a good breakfast we will prepare to undertake the most difficult path, after order our luggage and start to walking for about 1 hour until the place called **Salkantaypampa** (4,100 m / 13,451 ft) here we will have a short break and continue walking in ascending by 1 hour to the place of **Soyrococha** (4,400 m / 14,435 ft), ideal to relax, rehydrate and enjoy the snack time. The road continues for 1 hour to the highest point of the trek, the Abra Salkantay (4,632 m / 15,196 ft) the highest point is located between two imposing mountains of **Humantay** (5,917 m / 19,412 ft) and **Salkantay** (6,271 m / 20,574 ft) – "the Wild Mountain" in the native Quechua language, on this site we will observe the snowy glaciers of Salkantay, we also appreciate the magnificent view of the entire mountain range and observe an original Inca Trail that the passing of the years it was collapsing. Then we descend for 1 hour and about 30 minutes to **Wayracpampa** where our team will be waiting for us with lunch. After enjoying lunch start descending by cloud forest and observe the change of climate and vegetation, then descent to **Challway** where is our camp, here we will have the tea time and dinner. And so ends the longest and toughest day of the trek.

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

Day 03 Challway – La Playa

We get up at 06:00 hrs. to have breakfast and start our walk, this day will be unforgettable because throughout the way we will see a lot of flora and fauna, the road is Andean flat, however we climb flights of no more 100 meters and the rest of the way is downhill from from the campsite we will walk for 40 minutes to the village of **Collpa** (2,850 m / 9,350 ft) from this place will see the beginning of the valley of Santa Teresa. Will visit the **Valley of Totorá**, from where we will see the path we walked the day before and the mountain range, the walk is 2 hours to the village of **Wiñaypoco** during the walk we will have beautiful views of waterfalls, natural hot spring formations, orchids and strawberries. In Wiñaypoco people harvest fruit passionfruit a tropical fruit area that you can taste, after the



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break we will continue descending by the brow forest to the site of La **Playa** (2,200 m / 7,217 ft) where we will have lunch and will be the place where we will camp after lunch you can relax or do alternative activities that guide will tell you. At 17:30 hrs. we will have the tea time and then dinner. Finally rest in the camp.

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

Day 04 La Playa – Aguas Calientes

We get up at 05:30 am and enjoy a hearty breakfast, then walk through the high forest appreciating a variety of crops including coffee, bananas, avocados, pineapples and some crops of coca, cultures of coca leaves which is the sacred leaf of the Incas. We ascend to **Llactapata** an Inca archaeological site the Inca where you can see Machu Picchu and the entire surrounding valley, this place was formerly used by the Inca culture as a resting place as well as a temple,

priests made offerings to their gods the best products and sometimes sacrificed their animals as the llama or alpaca, in front of this Temple is Machu Picchu one of the majestic and intact buildings of the Inca Culture, After our visit we descend to the **Valley Aobamba** for approximately 2 hours to get to **Hidroelectrica** or Intiwatana named in this way at the Inca era, here we will have lunch and then walk for 3 hours are approximately 10 km to **Machu Picchu Pueblo** (2,160 m / 7,086 ft). Upon arrival we will go to accommodate in a basic lodging, place where the dinner will be coordinated. Finally overnight at the lodge.

- ✓ Meals: Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner
- ✓ Specialized professional guide
- ✓ Overnight in basic accommodation



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Day 05 Aguas Calientes – Machu Picchu – Cusco

This day will be only dedicated to visit the wonder of **Machu Picchu** (2,490 m / 8,169 ft) we will have a guided tour of about 2 hours tour and then enough time to explore on our own or visit **Huayna Picchu** (not included in the tour).

After his visit to Machu Picchu we headed to the village of Machu Picchu. In the village you will find many restaurants and you can choose to your liking, will have to go to the train station and approach it for about 2 hours to Ollantaytambo station, transport there will be waiting with your name and you will transfer to the city of Cusco the trip takes 1 hour to about 30 minutes.

- ✓ Meals: Breakfast
- ✓ Specialized professional guide
- ✓ Ticket to Machu Picchu
- ✓ Transfer by tren, Aguas Calientes – Ollantaytambo
- ✓ Transfer by bus, Ollantaytambo – Cusco



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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.

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