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INCA TRAIL CLASSIC TREK TO MACHU PICCHU

4 Days | 3 Nights



VIEW FULL TOUR



DISCOVER THE ICONIC SACRED VALLEY TOUR 1 DAY & INCA TRAIL HIKE 2D / 1N

Trip overview in the Sacred Valley and Inca Trail, offering a trekking and hiking experience combined with culture and adventure. It is ideal for travelers in moderate physical condition and families. The difficulty is moderate, as the hike is not technical, although the altitude may affect some individuals. A permit is required, with a separate permit process from the 4-day Inca Trail and generally available with short notice. The trek operates from March through January and is closed in February for maintenance. Camp is at an exclusive Alpaca Expeditions private campsite, which includes hot showers and areas to charge phones and batteries.



A 100% LOCAL COMPANY

Unlike many operators, **Alpaca Expeditions** is a locally owned company **based in Cusco**, the heart of the Andes.

Founded by **Raúl Ccolque**, who started as an **Inca Trail porter**, our company was built with one mission:

“CREATE WORLD-CLASS ADVENTURES WHILE SUPPORTING LOCAL COMMUNITIES”.



✓ **LOCAL LEADERSHIP**

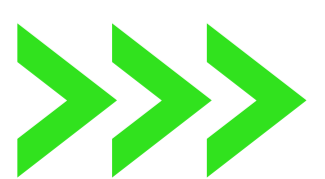
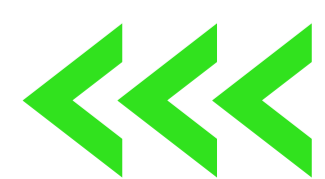


✓ **LOCAL STAFF**



✓ **LOCAL IMPACT**

WHEN YOU TRAVEL WITH US, YOUR JOURNEY SUPPORTS THE PEOPLE WHO CALL THESE MOUNTAINS HOME.



THE #1 TREKKING COMPANY IN CUSCO

Thousands of travelers choose **Alpaca Expeditions** every year.

»»» WHY?

Because our **reputation speaks for itself**. Our **achievements**:

+30K

Only company with More than 30,000 excellent reviews on **Tripadvisor**

+4

Only company with 4 ISO + Green FootPrint **ISO, International Organization for Standarization**

+10

Awards, Recognized as the Best Travel Agency in Peru

+50

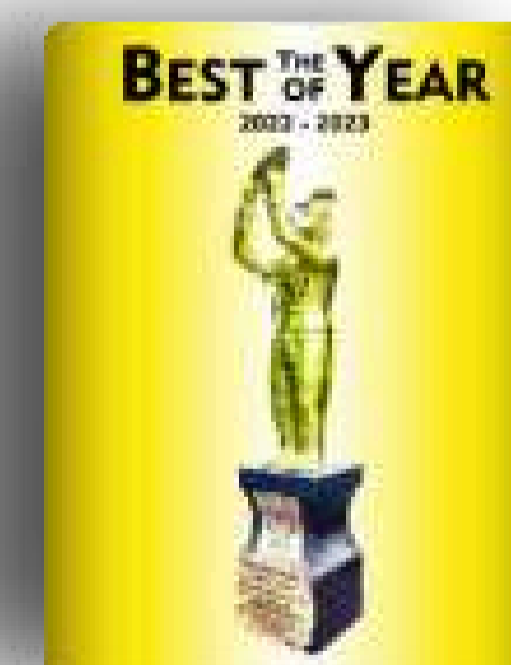
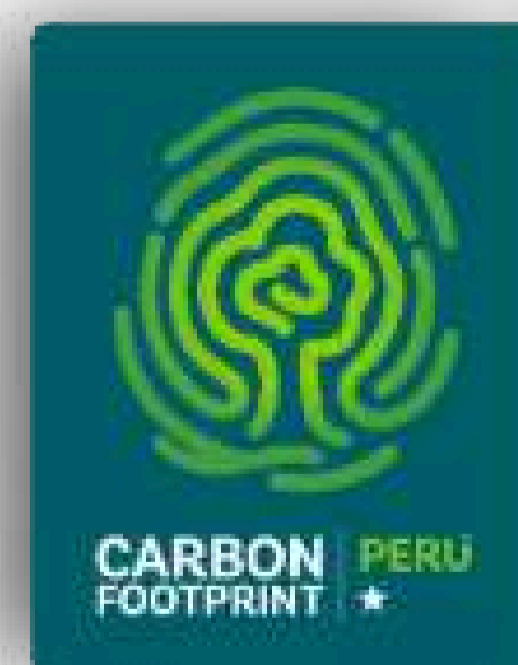
Trekkers Blogs. The best way to understand what it's like to travel with us is by reading and watching the real experiences shared by fellow trekkers.

+2K

More than 2K trips made safely with our **Satellite Phones**.

1st

Cooking classes are on all our camping treks. Learn to cook traditional, delicious dishes in the magical Andes mountains!



INTERNATIONAL CERTIFICATIONS & SUSTAINABILITY STANDARDS

At Alpaca Expeditions, we operate under **internationally recognized standards** to ensure quality, safety, and environmental responsibility in every adventure.



ISO 9001 – QUALITY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Guarantees consistent service quality and continuous improvement in our operations.



ISO 14001 – ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

Ensures our tours minimize environmental impact and promote responsible tourism.



ISO 21101 – ADVENTURE TOURISM SAFETY MANAGEMENT

International standard specifically designed for adventure tourism safety.



ISO 45001 – OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH AND SAFETY MANAGEMENT

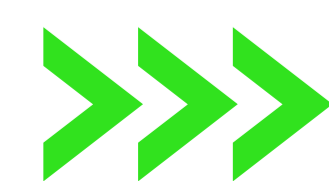
Protects the well-being and safety of our team members and staff.



CARBON FOOTPRINT CERTIFICATION – PERÚ

We actively measure and reduce our carbon emissions to protect the Andes for future generations.

THESE CERTIFICATIONS REFLECT OUR COMMITMENT TO RESPONSIBLE TOURISM, SAFETY, AND WORLD-CLASS SERVICE.





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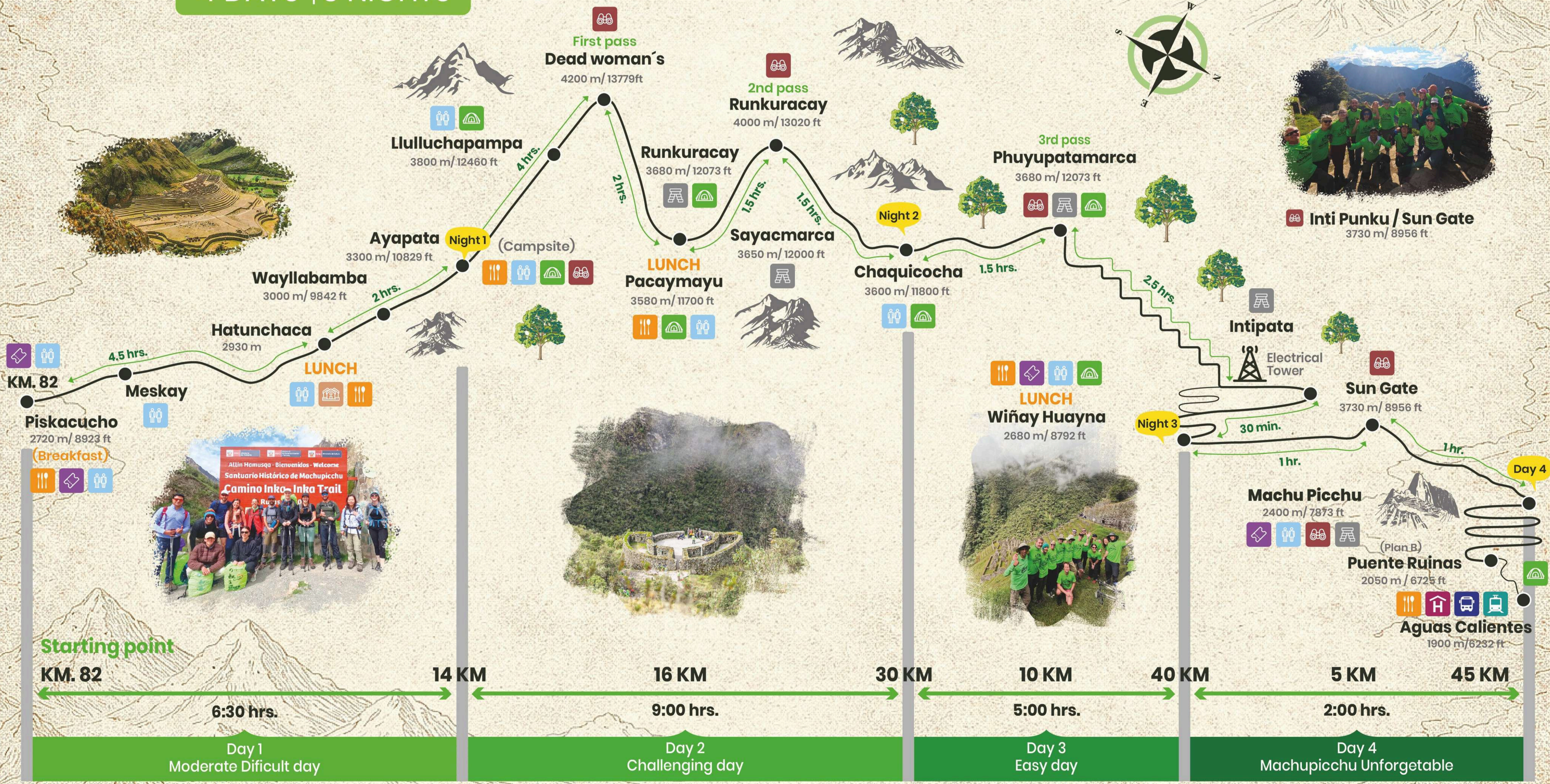


INCA TRAIL CLASSIC TREK TO MACHUPICCHU



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4 DAYS | 3 NIGHTS



- LEYEND**
- Archaeological sites
 - Toilet
 - View point
 - Distance / walking hours
 - Road of Trek
 - Bus
 - Train
 - Village
 - Hotel
 - Campsite
 - Ticket Control
 - Lunch

HIGHLIGHTS

- **Hike the legendary Inca Trail**, one of the most famous trekking routes in the world.
- **Experience diverse landscapes**, from high Andean mountains to lush cloud forests.
- Visit **impressive Inca archaeological sites** including Patallacta, Runkurakay, Sayacmarca, Phuyupatamarca, Intipata, and Wiñay Wayna.
- Reach **Machu Picchu through the Sun Gate** (Inti Punku), the original entrance used by the Incas.
- Enjoy the first **panoramic view of Machu Picchu** from the Sun Gate before entering the citadel.
- Trek **approximately 43–50 km** through the Andes along ancient Inca stone paths.
- Enjoy **freshly prepared meals** by professional trekking chefs along the trail.
- Camp at scenic sites with **quality equipment** and **support** from a dedicated porter team.
- Finish the journey with a **guided tour of the Machu Picchu citadel**.



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DAY 1

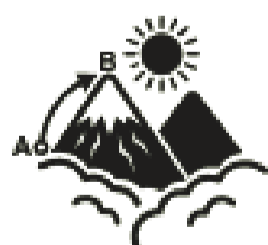
Cusco - Piskacucho Km 82 - Llactapata- Ayapata

Alpaca Expeditions will pick you up from your hotel in Cusco, Urubamba, or Ollantaytambo (Cusco 4:00–4:30 AM, Urubamba 5:30–6:00 AM, Ollantaytambo 6:30–7:00 AM). After breakfast at the Porter House in Ollantaytambo and meeting your trekking team, you'll drive to Km 82, the start of the Inca Trail, where you must present your original passport.

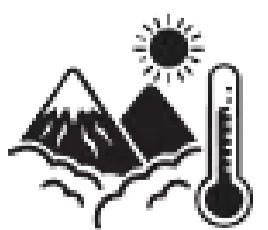
The hike begins with about 2 hours to the Inca site of Patallacta, followed by another 2 hours to the lunch spot. In the afternoon, you'll continue for 2½ hours to the first campsite at Ayapata (3,300 m), arriving around 5:00 PM. There you can relax with hot drinks and snacks before dinner at 7:30 PM and a well-deserved rest.



Walking distance:
14km (6-7 hours)



Campsite altitude:
3300 meters (high)
above sea level



Weather:
Warm and windy



DAY 2

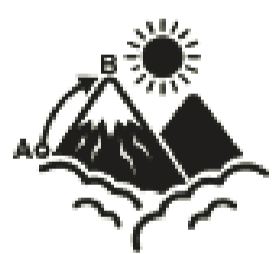
Dead Woman's Pass - Runcuraccay Pass - Chaquiccocha

Your porters will wake you early with a hot cup of coca tea before beginning the longest day of the trek. You'll hike about 4 hours to Dead Woman's Pass (4,215 m), the highest point of the Inca Trail, where you'll stop briefly to enjoy the views before descending 1½ hours into Pacaymayu Valley for lunch.

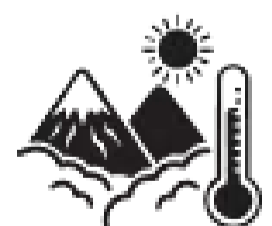
In the afternoon, you'll climb about 2 hours to the second pass, stopping at the Inca site Runcu Raccay and enjoying views of waterfalls across the valley. From there, it's a 1-hour descent to the impressive ruins of Sayacmarca, followed by a short 20-minute walk to the campsite at Chaquiccocha (3,600 m). After dinner, you may enjoy stargazing and learning about the Inca constellations under the clear Southern Hemisphere sky.



Walking distance:
16 km (7-8 hours)



Campsite altitude:
3600 meters (high)
above sea level
(chilly weather)



Weather:
Cold and rainy



DAY 3

Chaquiccocha - Wiñaywayna

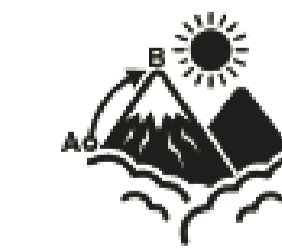
After completing the challenging second day, you'll wake up around 6:30 AM to begin what many consider the most beautiful day of the Inca Trail. The hike follows about 2 hours of gentle "Inca flat" trails through the Cloud Forest, with views of Salkantay Mountain and the Vilcabamba range. You'll then reach Phuyupatamarca (3,600 m) for panoramic views of the Urubamba Valley, before descending about 3 hours to the campsite near Wiñay Wayna, visiting the Inca sites Phuyupatamarca and Intipata along the way and arriving around 1:00 PM for lunch.

In the afternoon, you'll relax before visiting the impressive Wiñay Wayna ruins, where your guide will explain the history of the site and prepare you for the visit to Machu Picchu the next day. In the evening, enjoy a final feast and farewell ceremony with the porters and chefs, before resting early to wake up before dawn for the hike to the Sun Gate and Machu Picchu.



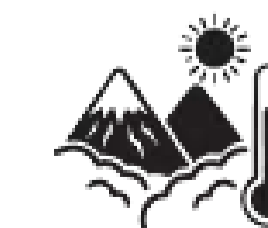
Walking distance:

10km (5 hours)



Campsite altitude:

2,600 meters (high)
above sea level
(chilly weather)



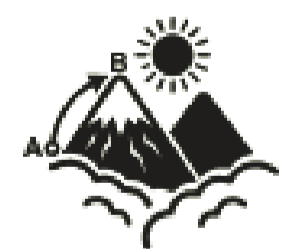
Weather:

Warm and very
humid

DAY 4

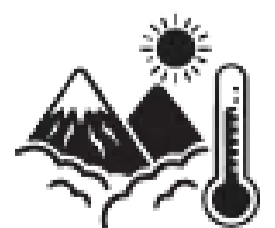
Wiñaywayna – Sun Gate – Machu Picchu – Aguas Calientes – Cusco

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Considered:

The most exciting and magical day (early wake up 3.30 AM)



Weather:

Hot and very humid (bring lots of water)



INCLUSIONS



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What's included?

PROFESSIONAL GUIDES

Our **expert guides** are locally born in Cusco, **university-trained** in tourism and **English**, and passionate about sharing their cultural heritage while keeping you safe and motivated throughout the trek.

PERMITS & BRIEFING

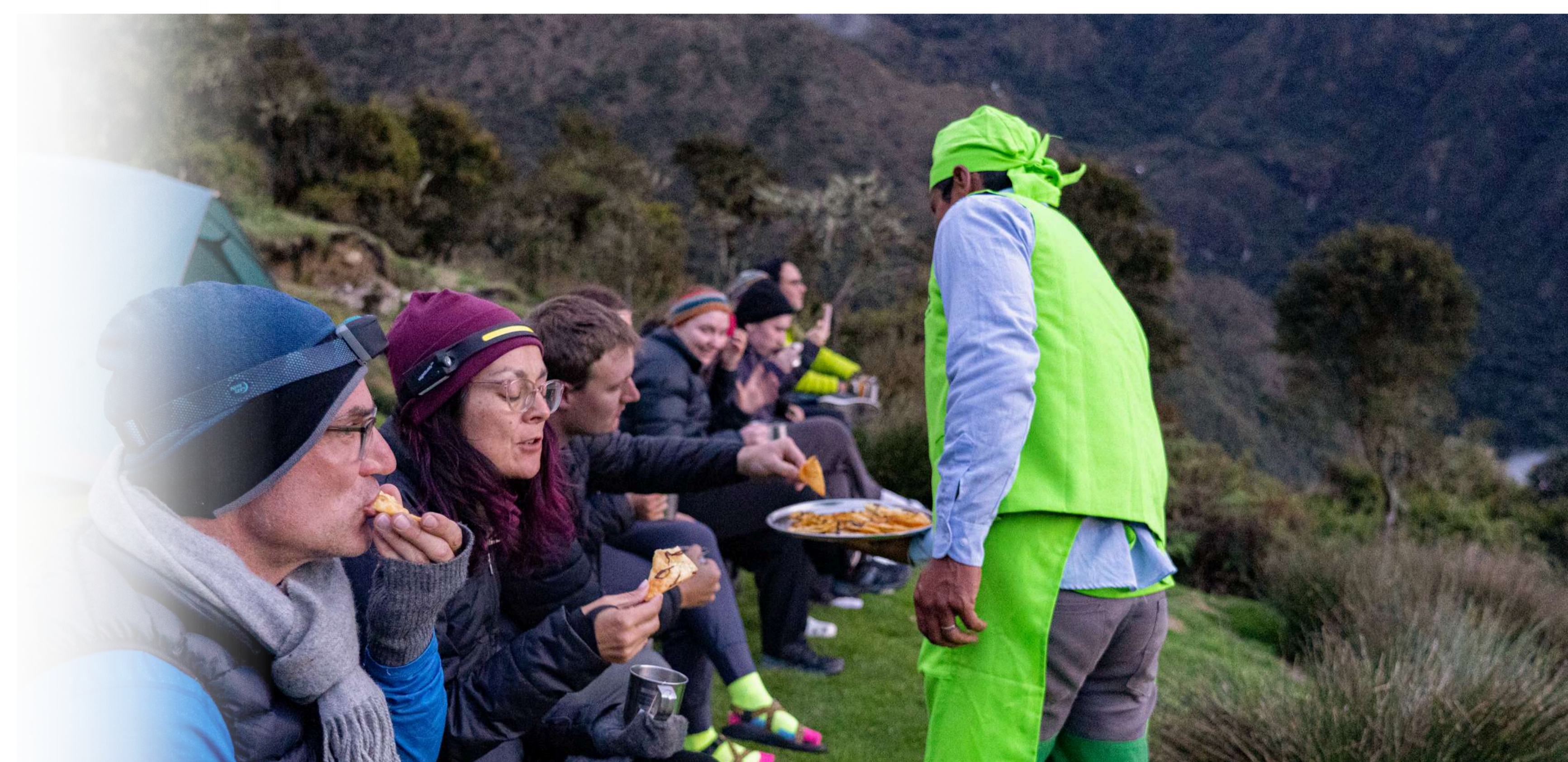
Once your booking is confirmed, we secure your **official Inca Trail permit** (subject to availability), which **includes entrance to Machu Picchu**. A mandatory briefing takes place at 6:00 PM the evening before the trek, where you'll meet your guide, receive final details, and get your duffel bag (up to 7 kg / 14 lbs).

PORTERS & TRANSPORTATION

Each trek includes a **personal porter** to carry your duffel bag **at no extra cost**. All transportation is included: **hotel pickup, train to Km 104, round-trip bus to Machu Picchu**, return train to Ollantaytambo (upgrade available), and **private transfer** back to your hotel in Cusco.

EQUIPMENT, FOOD & WATER

We use **high-quality** Eureka Timberline tents, spacious dining tents, and provide freshly prepared meals by **our professional** trekking chefs, honoring all dietary needs. Clean, boiled, and filtered water is supplied daily —just bring your refillable bottles.

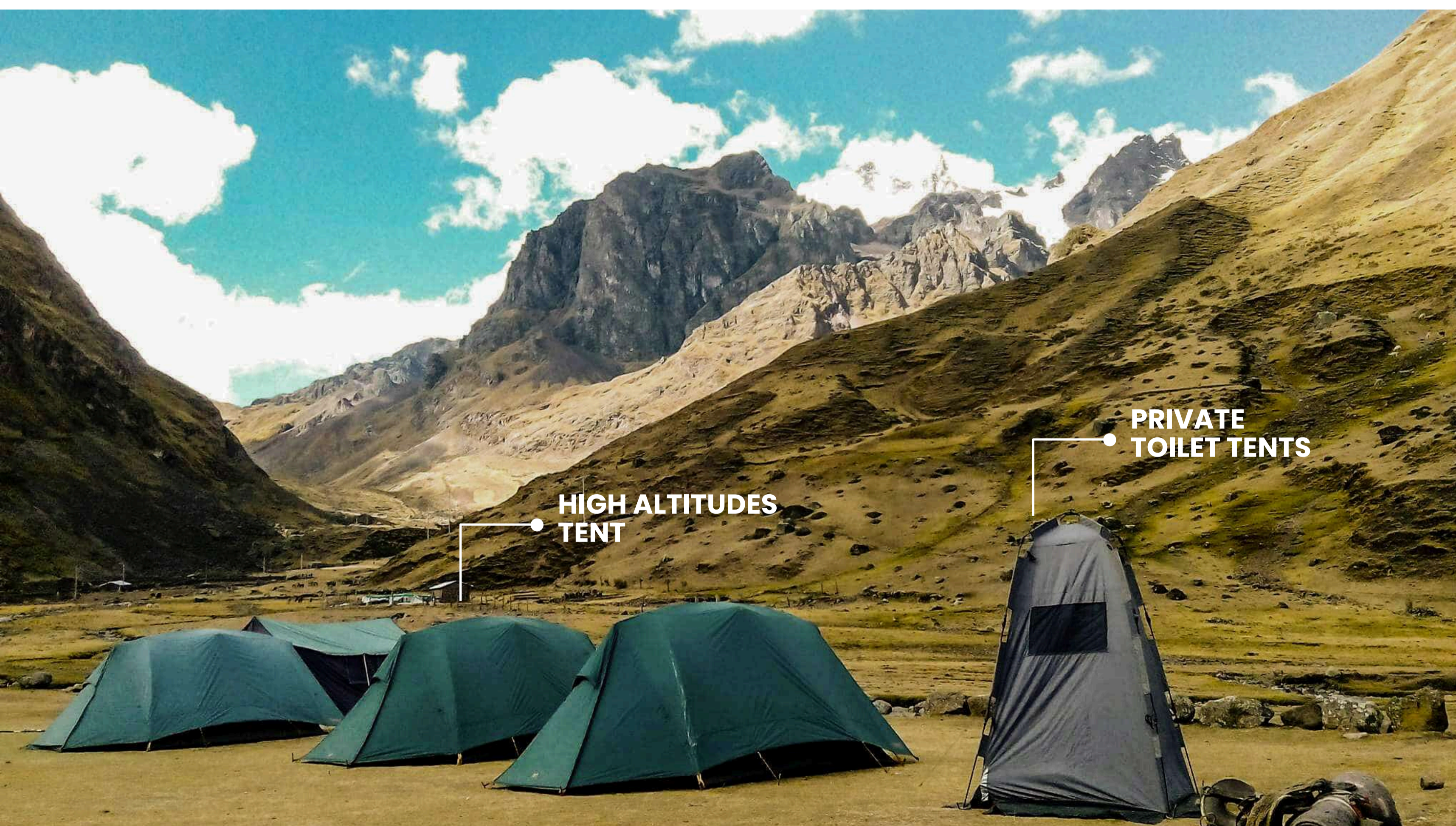




OUR EQUIPMENT

Alpaca Expeditions uses some of **the best equipment available on the market** to ensure a comfortable trekking experience. Our hikers sleep in spacious **Eureka Timberline** four-person tents shared by only two people. Single tents are also available for an additional cost of \$50 USD. We provide large **dining tents** where guests can comfortably **enjoy their meals**. Each trekker receives a pillow and a foam sleeping pad to help insulate from the cold ground, and all dining equipment, including chairs and dishes, is fully provided.

We also provide **portable ecological toilets** at each of its campsites and for the private use of our clients only.



GOURMET FOOD IN THE MOUNTAINS

One of the most surprising parts of trekking with us?

The food.
Our professional trekking chefs prepare restaurant-quality meals in the mountains.

EXPECT:

- ✔ Fresh, nutritious ingredients.
- ✔ Three-course lunches and dinners.
- ✔ Special dietary accommodations.
- ✔ Beautifully presented meals.



MANY TRAVELERS SAY:

««« The food was better than restaurants in the city. »»»

HOTEL TO HOTEL SERVICE:

You will be picked up from your hotel the morning of your trek and driven to KM 82 in our comfortable, Alpaca Expeditions van. **After the trek**, we will drive you from the train station back to your **hotel** or **Air bnb**.

SAFETY & FIRST AID

Your **safety is our priority**. All guides are **first-aid trained**, **carry oxygen** and **medical kits**, and every trek includes **radios** and **satellite phones**, ensuring reliable communication anywhere on the mountain.

EXTRA COMFORTS

Thoughtful details make the difference: a **sleeping pillow**, **foam mattress**, **rain poncho**, and **daypack** cover are included to ensure a comfortable and worry-free adventure.



Not included

RENTALS

Every trekker needs a **sleeping bag when camping**. **Inflatable air mattresses and walking sticks** (with rubber tips) are optional but encouraged. If you don't want to bring any of the above, they are all available for rent.

TRAVEL INSURANCE:

This is **not required but always recommended**. For those of you who live at sea-level landing in Cusco will take an adjustment period. Most people **need one or two days to adjust to the altitude**. In case you have a hard time adjusting we suggest you get travel insurance to protect you financially from any missed tours.

HUAYNA PICCHU

Huayna Picchu: The mountain beside Machu Picchu with a **45-minute hike** to the summit. The descent is steep, so it may not be suitable for those afraid of heights. The climb is done after the Machu Picchu tour and **costs \$75 per person**. Advance booking (**at least 1 month**) is required due to limited availability. Weather conditions may vary.



PACKING LIST



HIKING BOOTS

We recommend hiking boots with good ankle support to provide stability on all types of terrain.



SOCKS

Trekking socks are highly recommended. Remember to bring one pair per day of the tour.



GOOD DAYPACK

A 25-30 liter backpack is ideal. It will help you keep your personal items within easy reach and you can also use it to carry your camelback or water reservoir.



WARM - HAT

Help keep your head warm in cold areas of the trek. A lightweight, thermal, quick-drying option is recommended.



SUN HAT

Protects your face from the sun during the trek. Choose a lightweight, breathable, quick-drying option.



WICKING T-SHIRT

Helps protect you from cold temperatures, wind, intense sun and bothersome mosquitoes.



TREKKING PANTS

Trekking pants are essential for this tour. They should provide warmth while remaining lightweight and comfortable.



INSULATED JACKET

Keep you warm in the cold sections of the trek. A lightweight, thermal and packable option is recommended.



RAIN JACKET

A waterproof jacket is essential and will keep you comfortable in wind and rain. Choosing a lightweight option will make it easier to carry.



PASSPORT

Essential



WATER STORAGE

Let you drink water easily while hiking and helps you stay hydrated throughout the trek.



SUNGLASSES

Protect your eyes from intense sunlight and mountain glare. UV-protected lenses are recommended.



FLIP - FLOPS

After a long day of walking, flip-flops will let your feet relax and breathe.



HEADLAMP

Essential for lighting your path at night while keeping your hands free - perfect for camp use and dark sections of the trek.

WE WILL PROVIDE DURING YOUR TREK



- ▶ **BACKPACK COVERS**
keep your stuff dry no matter what the weather.

- ▶ **ALPACA T-SHIRT**
A gift from Alpaca Expeditions for you to have a souvenir of your journey!



- ▶ **2 PLASTIC BAGS**
One for clean clothes and the other for dirty or damp clothes.

- ▶ **RAIN PONCHO**
useful for when it rains.



- ▶ **DUFFEL BAG**
For your clothes and other personal items. These bags will be carried by the porters and returned to you at each campsite. Size: 66cm x 33cm.



- ▶ **MATTRESS**
1.5 inches thick Size: 60cm x 180 cm. Wich will be at your disposal every night before bedtime.



- ▶ **SATELLITE PHONES**
Ensuring full communication anywhere, even for non-emergency use.



RENTALS EQUIPMENTS YOU CAN RENT WITH US



WALKING STICK (1 PAIR)

Provide extra support for you knees and improve balance on the trail

Rental Price: \$25

INFLATABLE AIR MATTRESS

Designed for added comfort and insulation from the cold ground.

- Thickness: 2.5 inches.
- Size: 180cm x 60cm

Rental Price: \$25



SLEEPING BAG

We guarantee you'll stay cozy and warm, even on cold mountain nights.

- Size: 80" long x 60" wide at shoulders
- Weight: 1.7lb / 800g
- Temperature ranting: 15 °C / 2 °F
- Style: Mummy
- Fill: 850-fill power goose down with nylon shell

Rental Price: \$30



ADDITIONAL OPTIONS



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HUAYNA PICCHU

Huayna Picchu is the **iconic peak** that rises beside Machu Picchu, famous for its steep stone pathways and **brehtaking views**. The hike typically takes about **45 minutes to 1 hour** to reach the summit, depending on your pace.

Although this portion is done independently, **your guide** will **accompany you** to the **checkpoint** and **point out** the trail entrance before you begin. This hike **requires** an **additional entrance ticket**, which we can secure for you in advance, as availability is very limited.

Huayna Picchu tickets are issued in timed entry groups to manage trail capacity. The sessions currently offered are:

- **Group 1:** Entry from 7:00–8:00 AM
- **Group 2:** Entry from 9:00–10:00 AM

We usually book the **9:00–10:00 AM** entry so you can fully enjoy your guided tour of Machu Picchu first, then begin the hike without rushing. Once inside the checkpoint, you may take your time ascending and descending.

The additional ticket cost is **\$75 USD per person**.

WHAT WE DO FOR OUR PORTERS



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COMMUNITY

Alpaca Expeditions is built on the dedication of its team, supporting them through fair employment, free equipment, education, and better living conditions. By **working with local communities** and bringing porters and their families to Machu Picchu each year, every trek creates a meaningful impact beyond the trail.

EMPOWERING WOMEN

Alpaca Expeditions promotes **gender equality** by empowering Peruvian women through real opportunities in tourism. Since introducing **female guides** and **porters**, women now lead across all roles in a safe, respectful, and supportive environment, reinforced by fair pay, healthcare, and strong protection policies. This vision comes to life through **pioneering women-only treks**, where adventure, empowerment, and community meet on the trail to Machu Picchu.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Alpaca Expeditions uses **biodegradable soap** and **transports all our garbage back to Cusco**. Our porters are trained to look after the trail and pick up any waste. We also use **environmentally-friendly** portable chemical toilets that allow us to carry waste out. **Alpaca Expeditions** believes in **leaving no footprint behind**.





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