

An aerial photograph of the Sacred Valley of the Incas in Peru. The image shows a wide river, the Urubamba River, winding through a valley floor. The valley is surrounded by steep, rugged mountains with visible terracing. A small town is visible on the right side of the valley. The sky is filled with white clouds.

ONE DAY TOUR

SACRED VALLEY OF THE INCAS

1 day



DESCRIPTION

Explore the Most Significant Archaeological Sites Around Cusco

When people visit Cusco, they tend to head straight to Machu Picchu, one of the New Seven Wonders of the World. But, there are many other highly important archaeological sites in and around the city that were also significant during the Inca empire. Join us on this exciting trip to the Sacred Valley of the Incas to visit key sites during the ancient civilization's reign.

On this day out, you can expect to stop at Ollantaytambo, Pisac's archeological site and colorful market, the Inca site of Chinchero, and the Andean Textile Center. On the tour, from Ollantaytambo to Cusco, you'll have the chance to stop at some fantastic lookout points to witness the Andean Mountain's beauty and the stunning valley landscape.

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Map



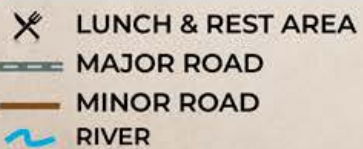
Itinerary



Inclusions



Packing List



DAY 01: Cusco | Qorao - Sacred Valley Lookout - Pisac - Urubamba - Ollantaytambo - Chinchero - Cusco

FULL ITINERARY

HIGHLIGHTS

- » Enjoy the extensive Pisac Inca complex, which boasts many impressive examples of Inca architecture.
- » Wander around the colorful Pisac market and observe local people who are keeping traditional culture alive.
- » Take in the stunning views as you drive through the Sacred Valley and observe locals going about their daily lives and lots of local produce growing in the fields.
- » Hike around that amazing site of Ollantaytambo and learn all about its history.
- » Visit the Chinchero Weaving Cooperative to learn about local textile techniques and a tradition that goes back generations.

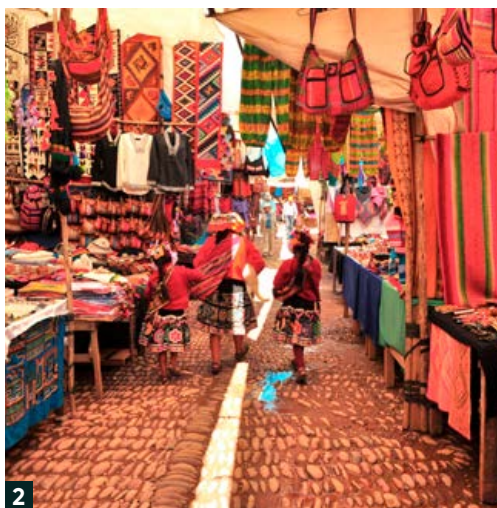
DAY 01

Cusco | Quiquijana - Pomacanchi - Santa Lucia
- Waqrapukara - Cusco

Explore the Most Significant Inca Sites in the Sacred Valley

We'll collect you from your accommodation and set off on our day out in the Sacred Valley. Our first stop is at Qorao where you can explore the market and buy gifts. Next, we'll make our way to Pisac. Here, you'll get to wander around the colorful market and visit the fascinating archaeological site that boasts some unique features. After, we'll head on to Urubamba where we'll enjoy a delicious buffet lunch.

This afternoon, we'll drive to Ollantaytambo—a quaint Inca town. You'll explore the archaeological site and enjoy stunning views. Our final stop is in Chinchero. You'll observe a colonial temple and the plaza before enjoying a lesson on textiles from local women. Finally, it'll be time to head back to Cusco city where we'll drop you off at your hotel.



DAY FACTS

» MEALS:
Lunch

» DIFFICULTY:
Easy

» LOWEST ELEVATION:
2,792 m / 9,160 ft

» HIGHEST ELEVATION:
3,762 m / 12,343 ft

1. Ollantaytambo is the last Inca village in Peru.
2. The traditional Pisac Market is one of the most picturesque in Cusco.
3. Chinchero, an unmissable visit to the Sacred Valley.

INCLUSIONS



WHAT IS INCLUDED?

» High Quality Service & Safety

- Experienced Tour Guide

English and spanish speaking official tour guide. All our guides are graduates of the professional career of Tourism of the National University San Antonio Abad of Cusco. We choose them for their professionalism, experience, responsibility, seriousness, unbridled passion for exploring, and sincere desire to proudly share in our culture and history. He or she will keep you safe, sound, and comfortable on your trek so that you can enjoy your time worry-free!

- Medical Kit or First AID Kit

All Salkantay Trekking guides have received specialized training in first aid. We hold mandatory training sessions with our guides every February. Your guide will always carry a first aid kit to face basic emergencies (altitude sickness, travelers' diarrhea, cuts, scrapes, etc.) as well as oxygen. If necessary, we'll evacuate you from the path as quickly as possible and ensure that you arrive at a clinic for treatment.

- 24/7 Customer Service

We have telephone service available 24 hours/day for ease of communication with Salkantay Trekking leading up to your trek.

» Meals

- Buffet Lunch in Urubamba

» Transportation

- Transport

All your transportation is included in this package. We will pick you up from your hotel to explore the Sacred Valley. Once you complete the tour, we will take you back to the door of your hotel.

WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED?

» Cusco Tourist Ticket

This ticket is necessary and allows you admission to many of the most popular attractions in Cusco and the Sacred Valley, including archaeological sites and museums.

- From PEN 70.00 (US\$ 20.00) to PEN 130.00 (US\$ 40.00) per person.

» Breakfast & Dinner

» Travel Insurance

» Tips for our staff

Tipping is the norm on any excursion in Peru. Although we pay good salaries to our entire team, something extra is always welcome.

» Additional costs or delays beyond our control

Landslides, bad weather conditions, itinerary modifications due to a safety concern, illness, pandemia, government policy changes, political instability, strikes, act of God, etc.

BEFORE YOU GO

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 Salkantay Trekking in one place. Please read the following information carefully – it will help you with any questions about our services.

Have another question that we haven't answered here? Drop us a line and we will get back to you asap!

» 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 theft, 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.

» Pick up of guests

Salkantay Trekking can pick you up from your hotel, as long as it's in the Historical Center of Cusco. Your guide will coordinate the pickup time in the briefing session, but please keep in mind that the time 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 accommodation with good access.

» Group Tours

Group tours are made up of different types of people, then physical conditions 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, after consulting with all the participants, if such modifications are possible.

» Strikes and demonstrations

Strikes and demonstrations are 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 cancellations, everything will be coordinated with you by our operations department. Your safety is our highest priority, and our decisions will be made to protect it.

» Lost objects

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

WHAT SHOULD YOU BRING?

- » Valid Passport
- » Extra money (recommended soles)
- » Personal medication
- » Water bottle or CamelBak - (optional water purifying pills)aa
- » Sunblock: factor 70 or more
- » Light footwear or sandals
- » Warm jacket
- » Waterproof jacket
- » Raincoat or rain poncho.
- » Sun hat to protect neck and face
- » Neck gaiter or buff
- » Sunglasses with UV protection
- » Medium trekking backpack (15 - 25 liter)
- » Camera and charger
- » Power bank





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