



ONE DAY TREK

# SUPER SACRED VALEY OF THE INCAS TOUR

1 day

**Salkantay**  
TREKKING  
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# DESCRIPTION

## *Discover the best of the Sacred Valley of the Incas*

Are you ready for an adventure and cultural trip? If so, the VIP Sacred Valley tour is just what you're looking for. This exciting tour will take you through some of the most significant Inca Empire archaeological sites, where you can experience their culture and history firsthand while enjoying stunning Peruvian landscapes.

From ancient ruins and circular crop terraces, to the Maras Salt Mines and the traditional Pisac market, each destination will provide you with an exciting and fascinating adventure. Alongside your expert guide, you'll have the opportunity to explore mysterious archaeological sites, learn about the wool weaving process, and discover the ancient salt extraction technique that is still practiced. Additionally, you'll enjoy a delicious buffet lunch in Urubamba and have the chance to buy handicrafts at the traditional Pisac market. Join this exciting adventure and discover the best of the Sacred Valley!

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# FULL ITINERARY

## HIGHLIGHTS

- » Explore the Inca ruins of the archaeological site of Chinchero, discover the weaving women, and learn about the textile production process, a tradition that dates back several generations.
- » Enjoy stunning views as you tour the Sacred Valley. Watch locals going about their daily activities and the numerous local products grown in the fields.
- » Explore the famous site of Moray and observe its large amphitheater-like agricultural terraces that have been used since the Incas.
- » Walk through the incredible site of Ollantaytambo and learn all about its history.
- » Enjoy the extensive complex of Pisac, which features countless impressive examples of Inca architecture.
- » Stroll through the picturesque Pisac market and observe how locals keep traditional culture alive.



# DAY 01

Cusco | Chinchero - Moray - Maras Salt Mines - Urubamba - Ollantaytambo - Pisac - Pisac Artisan Market - Cusco

## Discover the most significant Inca sites in the Sacred Valley

We will begin our exciting adventure early at 7:00 am, departing in our private transportation to Chinchero, a picturesque village located in the Sacred Valley, where you can explore its ancient walls and Inca ruins, as well as learn about its fascinating history. Additionally, you will enjoy a small demonstration of handmade textile art by talented local women.

We will continue our journey towards the famous circular terraces of Moray, where it is believed that the Incas experimented with different crops and agricultural techniques. We will then head to the Maras Salt Mines, which is made up of more than 3,000 pools where some of the world's best salt is extracted to date. The Incas used this salt for consumption, and you can purchase this product to take home with you.

Later, we will stop in Urubamba for a delicious buffet lunch of typical Peruvian dishes. You will find a wide variety of options available, and it will be the perfect opportunity to try many of the region's traditional foods.

After lunch, we will continue to Ollantaytambo, the "last living Inca city." We will visit its unique and extensive archaeological site, which houses water





sources, high terraces, temples, and much more. The archaeological site is surrounded by imposing mountain peaks, colorful valleys, and the view of a distant glacier—further proof of the impressive skills the Incas had in their architecture. You can walk its beautiful cobblestone streets and take incredible photographs while consulting with our expert guide on any questions about this Inca city.

Our next stop is Pisac, where we will explore its archaeological site. In fact, the Pisac complex is famous for its terraces that extend harmoniously from the base of the mountain to the top. You will also see the largest Inca cemetery and the Intihuatana of Pisac, famous for predicting the solstice and equinox that determined the agricultural calendar of the ancient culture. The most incredible thing about this Inca city is that it has the shape of a condor. Subsequently, we will enter the traditional market of Pisac to buy crafts and take with you the best memories of this fantastic trip.

Finally, we will return to Cusco in our transportation and leave you at your hotel for a well-deserved rest after an exciting day full of culture, history, and unique landscapes in the Sacred Valley of the Incas.



## DAY FACTS

- » MEALS:  
**Buffet Lunch**
- » DIFFICULTY:  
**Easy**
- » LOWEST ELEVATION:  
**2,792 m / 9,160 ft**
- » HIGHEST ELEVATION:  
**3,762 m / 12,343 ft**

1. Maras Salt Mines
2. Moray Archaeological Site
3. Chinchero
4. Ollantaytambo Archaeological Site
5. Pisac Archaeological Site
6. Pisac Traditional Market

# INCLUSIONS



# WHAT IS INCLUDED?

## » Permits & Entrance Tickets

- Maras Salt Mines Ticket Entrance

## » 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?

## » Boleto Turistico or 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

Please note:

- All pickups are within Cusco City, but we recommend booking a hotel in the historic center for its convenient location.
- Our guide or staff will confirm the pickup time the day before the tour.
- Due to traffic conditions, the pickup time may vary between 30 and 45 minutes.
- Cusco is an old city and has many narrow cobbled streets. Some hotels and Airbnbs are located on streets without car access or on long, steep slopes, making it difficult to transport luggage. For such reasons, we strongly advise you to book accommodation with good access.

## » Strikes and demonstrations

Strikes and demonstrations are usually common in Peru, which may interrupt some of our tours. Roads and train tracks can be blocked or taken over. However, we will try to keep your trip as planned, even leaving the night before the scheduled date.

In case of changes or cancellations, our operations department will coordinate



everything with you. Your safety is our highest priority, and we will make our decisions to protect it.

## » Lost objects

Please pay attention to where you leave your belongings and remember to take everything once you leave our buses or restaurants. 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
- » Hiking boots or shoes (preferably waterproof)
- » Trekking pants (\*)
- » Trekking socks
- » Pair of thermal pants
- » Warm jacket
- » Waterproof jacket
- » Raincoat or rain poncho.
- » Waterproof or wool gloves
- » Sun hat to protect neck and face
- » Wool hat for the cold
- » Neck gaiter or buff
- » Sunglasses with UV protection
- » Medium trekking backpack (15 - 25 liter)
- » Camera and charger
- » Power bank



\*It is advisable to wear waterproof pants during the rainy season (September to March).





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