



PERU TREK

Travel & Adventure

**ANCASCOCHA TREK &
INCA TRAIL SHORT TO
MACHU PICCHU**

5 Days & 4 Nights

OVERVIEW

Ancascocha Trek 5 days

If you like to escape the crowds and visit some of the most recognized treks in the world, the combined itinerary of Ancascocha Trek 5 days and Inca Trail Short is ideal for you. You get the best of both worlds by hiking off the beaten path for the first three days on the Ancascocha Trek and then spend 2 days on the amazing Inca Trail.

During the first three days, you will walk through some of the most incredible landscapes known to man. Towering mountains, beautiful glaciers and extensive landscapes will accompany you all the way.

For the second part of your trip, you will retrace the footsteps of the Incas along the famous trail. You will visit infamous sites and learn all about their history as you get closer to Machu Picchu.

On your last day, you will enjoy a wonderful tour of the Lost City of the Incas, Machu Picchu. Discover its secrets and feel how the magic of the Incas floods you while you contemplate the incredible feat of humanity and feel your hair stand on end. This is an adventure of Ancascocha trek 5 days that you will remember for a lifetime.

The highlight of the Ancascocha Trek 5 days

- ✓ Hike through the Andes surrounded by very few other trekkers, if any!
- ✓ Observe extensive cultivation fields where generations of peasants have tilled the land.
- ✓ Hiking along the Classic Inca Trail.
- ✓ Pass through small Andean communities and see how locals live in these rural parts of the country.
- ✓ Experience indigenous Quechua culture, fragile ecosystems, Inca ruins, and spot Andean wildlife like the majestic condor.
- ✓ Be accompanied by astounding scenery and expansive landscapes the whole way.
- ✓ Visit the New Wonder of the World, Machu Picchu, and discover its secrets.

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5 DAYS



	DISTANCE / HOURS
	CAMPS
	LUCH & REST AREA
	RAILROAD
	MAJOR ROAD
	MINOR ROAD
	FOOTPATH
	LAGOON

1

DAY

PEROLNIYUC



Highlights Of The Day

- ❑ Cooling off in a gorgeous waterfall and visiting Inca sites.



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1**DAY**

Cusco - Soqma - Perolniyoc - Kuychiccasa Pass - Chancachuco



We will pick you up early from your accommodation to start your adventure today. We will undertake a one and a half hour drive to the starting point of our trek at (3000 m / 9843 ft). Our transportation is very comfortable and we provide you with warm blankets to make you feel comfortable and sleep a little longer if you need it.

You will have time to enjoy a tasty breakfast while we meet the rest of our team of cooks and horsemen who will accompany us all the way. Then, we will start our 3-hour hike to the calm and relaxing site of the Perolniyoc waterfall. The place is beautiful, and you will have time to cool off in the falling waterfall and capture some great photos of the site.

Then, we will continue for an hour or so to reach the Racaypata Inca archaeological site, which was built on a cliff and offers wonderful views of the valley around it. All our guides are experts in Inca history and really love what they do, so you can be sure that you will learn quality information. Then, we will have a little lunch and you can try for the first time the delicious cuisine of our chef, which will surprise you in the middle of the mountains.

This afternoon, we will ascend to the Kuychiccasa pass (4,500 m / 14,764 ft) and observe some cultivated fields and alpacas, and maybe even some condors in mid-flight. The snowy mountain peaks will be with us all the way.

You don't need to run to the top, and we will also have some time to enjoy a break at the top while we look at the beautiful Chancacucho Valley and the Sacred Valley of the Incas. Finally, we will descend for another hour and forty-five minutes to reach our camp for the night in the Chancacucho Valley (4,350 m / 14,271 ft). When we arrive, you will have time to rest and enjoy looking up at the clear Andean night sky for constellations and shooting stars before enjoying a well-deserved dinner and a night's sleep. So that tomorrow we can continue our adventure of Ancasccha trek 5 days & Inca trail to Machu Picchu.

2

DAY

ANCASCOCHA



Highlights Of The Day

- Taking in the impressive views of the Andes and valleys.

2**DAY**

Chancachuco Valley – Ancascocha – Huayanay Pass – Quesqa valley



We'll wake you up very early with a hot cup of tea or coffee to help you get out of bed, and then you'll enjoy a nutritious breakfast that will energize you for the day's hike.

We will undertake a 45-minute undulating path and then a 20-minute uphill climb for you to enjoy the incredible views of the enormous La Verónica Glacier (5,682 m / 18,642 ft). Then we will descend for around 3 hours to the community of Ancascocha (3,900 m / 12,795 ft). We will cross a lovely little valley here with a crystal clear stream running through the middle. The landscape is like something out of a fairy tale.

Then, we will continue for another hour walking uphill to a place that will reward you with impressive views of glaciers, Inca archaeological sites and the impressive blue lake Ancascocha trek 5 days. Make sure you have your camera close at hand to take some great photos.

Then, we will enjoy another delicious lunch prepared by our chefs before continuing to the highest point of the entire trip, the Huayanay pass (4,650 m / 15,265 ft), during a 2-hour ascent where you will also get to know a little of the original Inca Trail. The views at this height certainly do not disappoint.

Walking down is much easier as we do it slowly while being surrounded by more amazing views. We will arrive at our camp in Quesqa Valley (3,850 m / 12,631 ft) and have time to relax before it is served. Finally, you'll settle into your cozy tents for another great night's sleep.

3

DAY

PATALLACTA



Highlights Of The Day

- Hike the original Inca Trail.

3**DAY**

Quesqa Valley – Paucarcancha – KM 82 – Ollantaytambo



You'll need to get up early again today, so you can enjoy another hearty and nutritious breakfast before beginning our two-hour descent from the Quesqa Valley. We will walk towards the Paucarcancha Inca site (3120 m / 10,236 ft), and you will notice that your environment changes with the vegetation becoming greener and thicker.

When we arrive at the archaeological site, you will see the original Inca Trail in the distance and the remote communities of the Quesqa Valley. Your guide will take you through Paucarcancha and you will learn all about the site and its secrets.

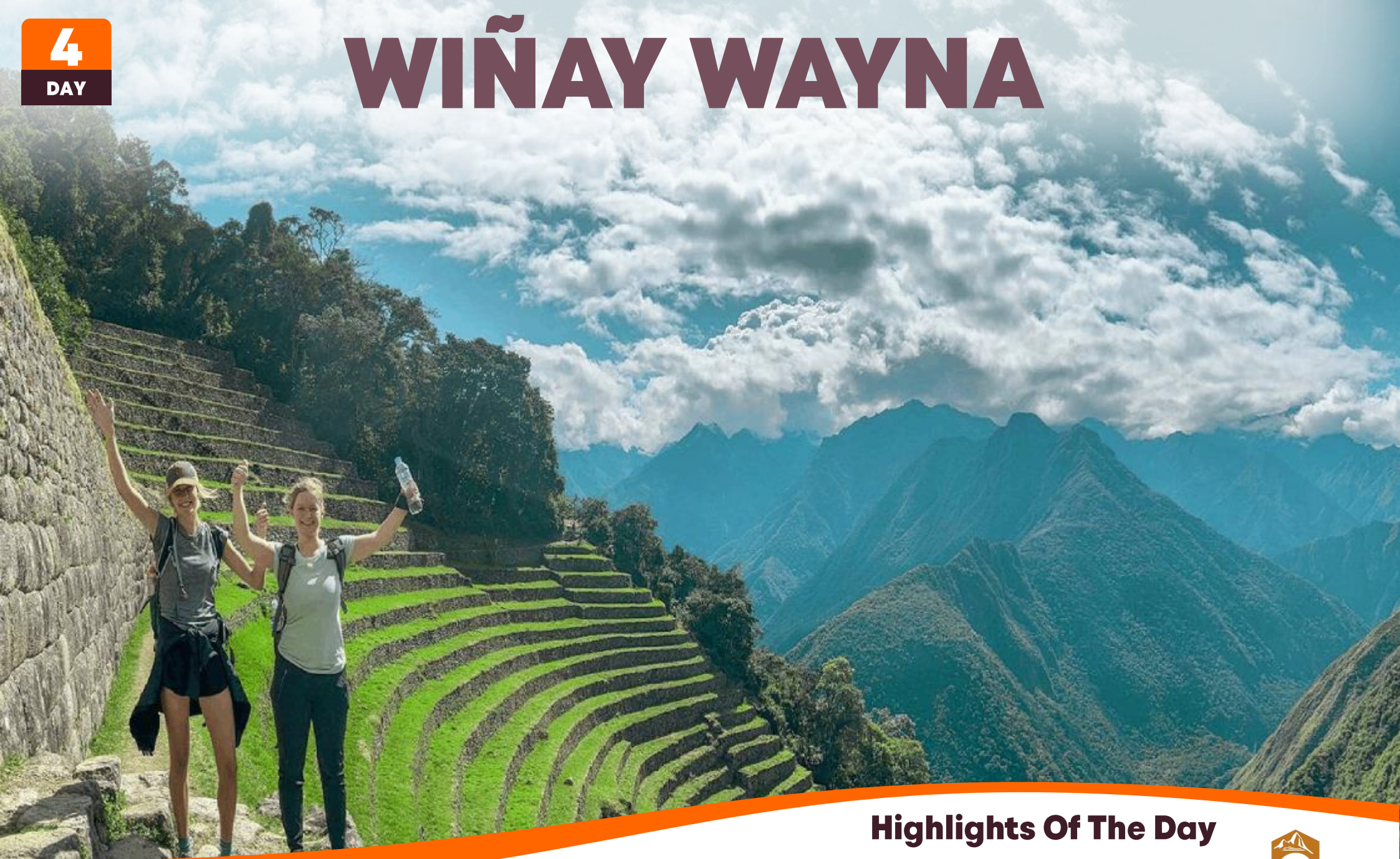
Then, we will head on the Classic Inca Trail for around 5 hours, heading towards KM 82, which is where the trail begins for those who choose to walk it. Throughout the walk, you will see small towns, as well as the archaeological sites of Llactapata and Canabamba. Once we reach KM 82, we will enjoy our lunch and a rest before continuing.

In the afternoon, we will take you to Ollantaytambo (2,792 m / 9,160 ft) and this place is where we are going to camp. If you still have some energy, you can explore the quaint town before enjoying dinner. Be sure to go to bed early, as tomorrow we will begin our final adventure along the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu. After having passed Ancascocha trek.

4

DAY

WIÑAY WAYNA



Highlights Of The Day

- ☐ See landscapes while visiting archaeological sites and get your first glimpse of Machu Picchu.



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4**DAY**

Ollantaytambo – KM 104 – Wiñay Wayna – Machu Picchu



You will enjoy an early breakfast at 5:30 am to go to the train station in Ollantaytambo. As you travel along the tracks, you will be surrounded by wonderful scenery and gain a different perspective of the mountains you have been hiking the previous days.

After about an hour and a half, you will arrive at KM 104, from where our incredible trek along the historic Inca Trail will begin. This morning, we will start with an uphill hike for about three hours until we reach the archaeological site of Wiñay Wayna (2650 m / 8694 ft), the most important citadel along the original Inca Trail. You'll enjoy an in-depth history lesson and a delicious lunch as we gaze at towering mountains rising through the trees and deep valleys.

In the afternoon, we will continue walking towards Puerta del Sol (2,720 m / 8,924 ft). From this incredible vantage point, we will get our first incredible views of the magnificent Inca City of Machu Picchu. This is the official end of the Inca Trail and the place from where the Incas would have first seen the amazing fortress when they arrived.

We will end our first day by heading to Aguas Calientes by bus. We will check into our hostel and enjoy dinner at a restaurant. You'll have to go back to bed early to get up before dawn tomorrow.

5

DAY

MACHU PICCHU

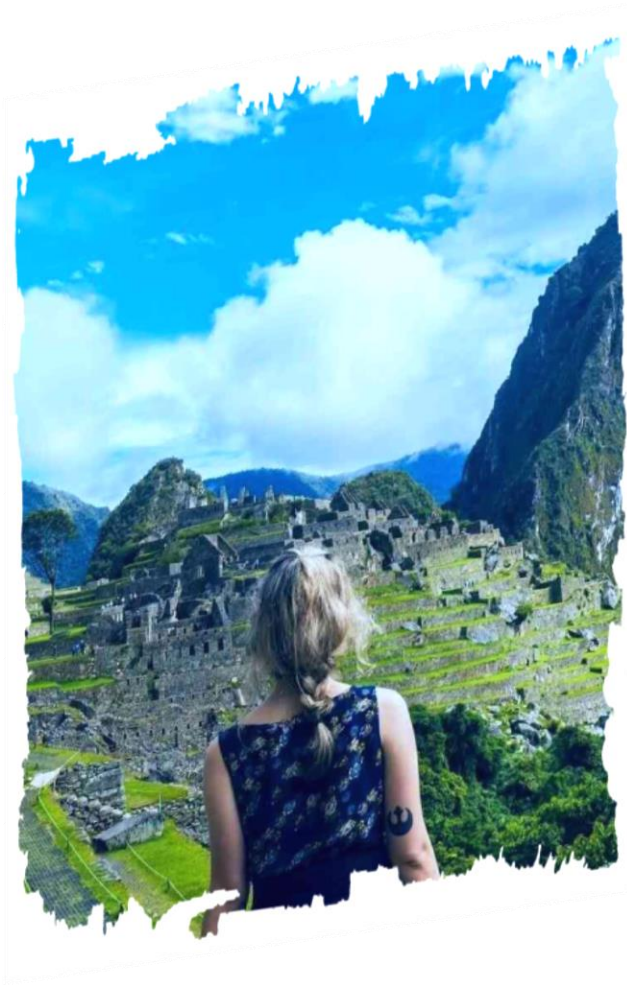


Highlights Of The Day

- ☐ Machu Picchu, and explore its ancient streets and incredible architecture.

5**DAY**

Aguas Calientes – Machu Picchu – Cusco



Your long-awaited trip to Machu Picchu is finally here! You will need to wake up while it is still dark to have breakfast before heading to the bus stop in Aguas Calientes. We took the bus at 5:30 am to make sure we were one of the first people to enter at 6:00 am when the entrance opens. This way we can beat the crowds and you can enjoy the fantastic citadel with very few people inside and watch the glorious morning light cast a wonderful glow on the huge stones.

Once inside, your guide will give you a guided tour of all the important parts of the archaeological site, such as temples, terraces, palaces, priests' houses, the Intihuatana, the industrial sector, and the cultivated fields. They will teach you all the history of this wonderful place and you will discover all its mysterious secrets.

Then you will have a few more hours to explore on your own or climb Huayna Picchu or Machu Picchu mountain if you got tickets in advance. If not, you can also walk to the Inca Bridge or Puerta del Sol for more great views of the entire site.

Around noon, you will need to return to Aguas Calientes to eat something before heading to the train station. You will take the train at 4:22 p.m. (depending on availability) to Ollantaytambo. There, our private transportation will be waiting for you to take you back to your accommodation in Cusco.

It is time to rest for now, from this Ancascocha trek 5 days & Inca trail to Machu Picchu adventure, but we are sure that your heart will continue to fly high like a condor in the Andes for years to come after your unforgettable experience.

INCLUSIONS

Included / Not Included

High Quality Service & Safety

- ✓ Pre-departure briefing
- ✓ Experienced tour guide in English and Spanish
- ✓ Private Camping Equipment
- ✓ 1 duffle bag
- ✓ Medical Kit or First AID Kit
- ✓ A professional chef
- ✓ Customer service 24/7

Transportation

- ✓ Day 1: Private transportation from Cusco to the hiking point (Socma)
- ✓ Horses, and muleteers; cargo mules will carry your (7 kg / 15.4 lb) personal items
- ✓ Day 4: Private transportation from the end of the walk to the Ollantaytambo train station
- ✓ Day 4: Train Ticket from Ollantaytambo to Aguas Calientes
- ✓ Day 5: Round Trip Bus Ticket Aguas Calientes - Machu Picchu
- ✓ Day 5: Train Ticket from Aguas Calientes to Ollantaytambo
- ✓ Day 5: Private transport from Ollantaytambo train station to your hotel in Cusco

Extras included in our service

- ✓ Sleeping bag
- ✓ Extra oxygen
- ✓ Hiking poles
- ✓ PRO Air sleeping pad
- ✓ Day 4: Hotel in Aguas Calientes

Meals

- ✓ Meals: Breakfast (5), lunch (4), dinner (4)
- ✓ Food: (vegetarian and vegan food options available)
- ✓ Wake up tea
- ✓ Tea Time or Happy Hour
- ✓ Snacks on the trail daily
- ✓ Water during the hike
- ✓ Products for hygiene

Permits & Entrance Tickets

- ✓ Entrance Ticket for Ancascocha Trek
- ✓ Entry to Machu Picchu Archaeological Site

What is not included?

- Travel insurance
- Gratuities for our staff
- Additional costs or delays beyond our control

TRIP CHECKLIST

5 Days & 4 Nights

- ✓ Original Passport
- ✓ Flashlight with spare batteries
- ✓ Sun hat, cap, and warm hat and gloves for the nighttime
- ✓ Water bottle or canteen
- ✓ Good hiking boots with ankle protector or similar, and one pair of flip-flops or light sandals
- ✓ Comfortable hiking clothes, including warm clothes for the nighttime
- ✓ Rain gear (especially if traveling in the wet season, from October to March)
- ✓ Hiking poles
- ✓ Insect repellent
- ✓ Hiking socks
- ✓ Personal medication
- ✓ Sunblock and sunglasses
- ✓ Comfortable trousers
- ✓ Toiletries and hand sanitiser
- ✓ Hiking long-sleeve T-shirts
- ✓ Camera and film with extra batteries
- ✓ Phone and Camera charger and adapter
- ✓ Some snacks such as chocolate, cereal bars, candies, nuts, energy bars
- ✓ American dollars and Peruvian soles in cash
- ✓ Backpack to carry your things



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