

ONE DAY TOUR
CITY TOUR CUSCO
HALF DAY

DESCRIPTION



Be inspired as you walk through the ancestral streets and plazas of Cusco! You can walk through each historical era in this royal city; it is the oldest continuously inhabited city in the Americas! We can trace time from Native Americans to Incans to Spaniards and now to modern-day citizens of Cusco. Besides its historical importance, Cusco is a breathtaking city with a living culture and a cuisine highly-acclaimed on the world stage!

For your first day in this majestic city, we recommend visiting all nearby archaeological sites and admiring the surrounding landscape. Cusco maintains its customs, traditions, the mysteries, and tales about a legendary past as a city.

Cusco holds excellent cultural richness. This tour is highly recommended for those who would like to know more about our culture. You will enjoy and visit the Main Plaza, the Historical Center, Main Cathedral of Cusco, Coricancha (Temple of the Sun) & Santo Domingo Convent, and the archaeological sites of Saqsaywaman, Tambomachay, Qenqo, and Puca Pucara.





FULL ITINERARY

City Tour Cusco half day tour

1

DAY

FEATURED DESTINATION OF THE DAY

SAQSAYHUAMAN

Archaeological Site



1**DAY****Cusco | Cusco City Tour**

Cusco's Cathedral

Koricancha Temple

Saqsayhuaman

Q'enqo

Puka Pukara

Tambomachay

CITY TOUR CUSCO
HALF DAY TOUR**1 DAY**

You will be picked up from your hotel in Cusco at 13:20 - 13:50 hrs to begin your City Tour. First, we will visit the main Cathedral in the Plaza de Armas where you will have the opportunity to see a wide range of paintings from Cusco's School of Art, old writings, and works in gold leaf and embossed silver. Once finished, you will continue on to Koricancha or the "Temple of the Sun" to appreciate its architecture and perfect stone constructions only seen in Inca temples of high importance. Continuing on, we will head outside the city to visit the archaeological circuit of 4 sites: Saqsaywaman, Q'enqo, Puca Pucara, and Tambomachay. At Saqsaywaman, you will see its famous stones all carefully carved and enormous in size. At Q'enqo, you will learn some more about this archaeological site's religious importance in the Inca times. At Puca Pucara, you will see an ancient military construction, part of Cusco's ancient defense system. Lastly, at Tambomachay, you will see a temple dedicated to the Water Cult with fountains that still work in today.

Your return to Cusco will be at approximately 18:30 hrs.

Cusco's Cathedral

Located in Cusco's Main Square, the cathedral is a colonial monument of great artistic value. It was built on top of the Wiracocha Inca Palace and houses works of carved wood such as the choir, pulpit and altars, beautiful paintings from the Cusquenian School of Art (including a Last Supper painting in which Christ and His disciples eat cuy – guinea pig!) and works of embossed silver. This cathedral flanks the grandiose Plaza de Armas – the historical and cultural heart of Cusco.

Koricancha Temple and Santo Domingo Convent

This religious center was built to worship the Sun, the most revered deity during the Inca Empire. Inside the temple, you will find smaller temples dedicated to the sun, moon, stars, etc. Outside are beautiful, regal gardens and fountains on the grounds of the monumental temple. Here, the combination of the extraordinary Inca architecture and the Spanish colonial architecture is what stands out the most. In addition, the Cusquenian School of Art's gallery offers you the opportunity to appreciate some of their colonial art pieces.



HOME

FULL ITINERARY

INCLUDED | NOT INCLUDED

TERMS & CONDITIONS

Saqsayhuaman

Located 2 km from Cusco City, this fortress was built using enormous carved rocks joined with compelling precision. It is composed of three overlapping platforms with an average length of 360 meters. In its construction, you can see stones as big as 9 meters in height! From here, you can enjoy a spectacular view of Cusco city along with the beautiful landscape formed by the surrounding mountains.

Q'enqo

Located 1 km from Saqsaywaman, this complex was an Inca ceremonial cult center. The most prominent feature of this complex is an open space called the amphitheater. Back in its day, you would have found Inca mummies in the 19 trapezoidal niches found here. Today, the amphitheater is half of its original height.

Puka Pukara

This complex is known as the “red fortress” due to its reddish tints resulting from the vast amounts of iron in its rocks. It is thought that this fortress was perhaps an old tambo (dairy farm?) that served both as a resting and guarding spot to protect Tambomachay.

Here you can see attractive architecture, fountains, aqueducts, and several Incan enclosures.

Tambomachay

This complex is made up of a combination of finely carved stones, waterfalls, and aqueducts to carry water coming from nearby springs and hot springs. For this reason, Tambomachay is associated with the water cult. In front of this construction, there is a tower that is said to have served as a guarding post and communication tower.





INCLUSIONS

Included / Not Included

WHAT IS INCLUDED?

High Quality Service & Safety

✓ Pre-departure briefing

You will meet your tour guide and group in our office for an orientation before your tour. The meeting will be at 5:00 PM the evening before the trip begins.

✓ Experienced Guide

All our guides are graduates of the professional career of Tourism of the National University San Antonio Abad of Cusco. Our guides are chosen for their professionalism, experience, responsibility, seriousness, unbridled passion for exploring, and a desire to share in the experience. They'll make sure you are safe and happy.

✓ Medical 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 emergency situations (altitude sickness, traveller's diarrhoea, 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.

Transportation

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



WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED?

- ✓ Boleto Turistico(Tourist ticket) for entrance to archaeological sites
- ✓ Travel Insurance
- ✓ Additional costs or delays out of control of the management

Landscape, bad weather condition, itinerary modification due to a safety concern, illness, change of government policy, political instability/strike, etc.





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Acceptance and Knowledge of our Terms and Conditions

The terms and conditions set out below in this document are mandatory and binding. They apply to all reservations and activities made through our website, via email or face-to-face. The use of any of these channels implies the knowledge and acceptance of them.

Modification of the terms of use

Salkantay Trekking reserves the right to make modifications or updates to our terms of use at any time. It's the responsibility of the customers to review them.

Reservation confirmation

Once the client sends his reservation request, the confirmation to this will be subject to the payment support according to the request, detailing all the services included and not included. If no response from the client is received, the acceptance of our terms and conditions will be assumed. In this sense, Salkantay Trekking is not responsible for any extraordinary situation.

Obligations of passengers established according to Policies of SALKANTAY TREKKING.

Respond clearly and precisely to responses and requests, such as forms to be filled out by your assigned Experience Designer.

Follow the instructions of the team en route.

Compulsory attendance at the informative meetings, which are held prior to your tour, are essential to begin the experience en route.

Comply with all the obligations set forth in these Terms and Conditions.

Payment Policies

We use PayPal so that you can make your deposit, which makes it easier to use a credit card. There's an 8% fee for using PayPal for international transfers.

We also use Western Union which have different rates. The amount of the deposit will depend on the type of itinerary that the client reserves, as shown below:

- ✓ **Inca Trail:** For Inca Trail packages we need a deposit of US \$ 350.00 per person. Remember that these deposits are not refundable nor transferable to another person. There are no exceptions.
- ✓ **For the treks:** Salkantay, Lares, Huchuy Qosqo, Choquequirao, Inca Jungle, Ancascocha and Cachicata, and the tours that take more than 3 days, a deposit of US \$ 250.00 per person will be made. Remember that these deposits are non-refundable and non-transferable. There are no exceptions.
- ✓ **Rainbow Mountain:** For Rainbow Mountain packages we need a deposit of US \$ 100.00 per person. Remember that these deposits are non-refundable and non-transferable. There are no exceptions.
- ✓ **Humantay Lagoon:** For the day tour to Humantay Lagoon we need a deposit of US \$ 100.00 per person. Remember that these deposits are non-refundable and non-transferable. There are no exceptions.
- ✓ **Sacred Valley:** For Sacred Valley packages we need a deposit of US \$ 50.00 per person. Remember that these deposits are not refundable nor transferable to another person. There are no exceptions.
- ✓ **City Tour:** For the half day tour in Cusco we need a deposit of US \$ 25.00 per person. Remember that these deposits are not refundable nor transferable to another person. There are no exceptions.

For groups greater than 08 people we accept bank transfers. If you want more information about this possibility, send us an email to info@salkantaytrekking.com

Policies for payment methods in person

- ✓ Cash, Credit Card, Western Union, and PayPal will be accepted for final payments. No passenger can start their tour until payment has been completed.
- ✓ Cash payments are due the day before your tour and can be made during the pre-briefing. We accept US dollars and soles (Peruvian currency) for cash payments.
- ✓ Ripped or torn bills, no matter how small, will not be accepted.
- ✓ PayPal payments are due one week before the tour or trek departure.
- ✓ If the balance is not paid 2 days before the departure of the trip, the commission will be 10%. And not 8%
- ✓ All bank commissions will be covered by the client.
- ✓ For more information you can contact your assigned Experience Designer.



Cancellation Policies

Cancellation request

The cancellation request must be made via email by the person who made the reservation and paid the deposit to sales@salkantaytrekking.com

Cancellation fees:

- ✓ Cancellations made 30 days in advance have no additional charges except for excursions on the Inca Trail.
- ✓ If the client cancels between 10 and 30 days before their trip, they must pay 50% of the total cost of the trip.
- ✓ If the client cancels between 10 and 3 days before their trip, they must pay 80% of the total cost.
- ✓ If the client cancels 2 days or less before their trip, they must pay 100% of the total cost.
- ✓ In the rare event that a client decides to leave once the trek has started, no refund will be given. The client must also pay for the additional expenses incurred by her own decision such as food, accommodation, and transportation. If they wish, the client can join the group and participate in the Machu Picchu tour on the last day if they wish.
- ✓ If the client is unable to participate in the trek due to illness or physical problems, no refund will be given. The client must also pay for the additional expenses incurred such as food, accommodation, and transportation. If they wish, the client can join the group and participate in the Machu Picchu tour on the last day if they wish.
- ✓ In the event that a natural disaster or an act of God prevents a service from being completed, the client will receive a 50% refund, considering administrative expenses.
- ✓ In the event that a natural disaster or act of God causes the change in the route of the walk, there'll be no refund.
- ✓ In consideration of the last pandemic that was experienced globally, we include that, in case the service is not performed due to a pandemic or act of God, no refund will be made, but an open ticket will be given so that you can receive the service on another date subject to availability. For more information, check the following: Safe Experience Policies and Our Responsibility with Health and Safety.
- ✓ Failure to appear at the informational meetings will be considered a no show.
- ✓ Failure to appear on the assigned tour will be considered a no show.
- ✓ In no case will there be a refund option.
- ✓ There'll be no refund in case of no show.

Inca Trail Tour

Permits for the Inca Trail are processed with the name and passport number, in no case may they be transferable to another person. The change of dates is also not possible once the permit has been acquired. These are not refundable or transferable. Please note that this is a Peruvian government regulation and not Salkantay Trekking.

In the extreme case that the Inca Trail is declared closed for security reasons, or causes it to escape our responsibility, Salkantay Trekking will replace your excursion with an alternative route.

If you book the Inca Trail tour with a Student Card. During the walk the original must be carried along with the passport. The personnel of the Ministry of Culture will prohibit entrance if the student card is not shown, a situation that will escape our responsibilities.

Modification policies

- ✓ To modify the date of the excursion, other than the Inca Trail, there's a fee of US \$ 50.00 per person, if the modification occurs more than 30 days in advance.
- ✓ If the modification occurs between 21 and 30 days before the excursion, the rate is US \$ 75.00 per person.
- ✓ If the modification occurs between 10 and 20 days before the excursion, the rate is US \$ 100.00 per person.
- ✓ For modifications made with less than 10 days in advance, different rates will be applied that will be calculated at the time of making the change, according to availability and date.
- ✓ Modifications must be made for another group excursion with a minimum of 2 people. If a single traveler needs to change dates and there's no option on the required date, the change will not be possible.

Travel insurance

- ✓ We recommend travel insurance for all our clients.
- ✓ Coverage must include lost luggage, accidents, emergency air rescue, and trip cancellation. The trip cancellation insurance must reimburse non-recoverable air or land expenses if you cancel your trip due to a personal or family illness, as well as cover the expenses of medical evacuation if the situation requires it.
- ✓ In the event of illness or injury in one of our circuits, we are trained to provide emergency first aid and organize transportation to a suitable medical facility. However, we are not responsible for the cost of transportation services or medical care.



About the PASSPORT IN MACHU PICCHU, HUAYNA PICCHU, AND INCA TRAIL

- ✓ Once the tour reservation is confirmed, we will send the information immediately to the Inca Trail reservation office and the Llaqta Machu Picchu reservation office so that the permits are issued and we guarantee the tour.
- ✓ The original passport must be carried for all services. Photocopies will not be accepted.
- ✓ The information that we will send to the reservation office of the Llaqta Machu Picchu includes full name, passport number, nationality, gender, and age. This information cannot be modified.
- ✓ The only exception is in the case of passport numbers that could be changed due to renewal.
- ✓ To renew passport it is suggested to also carry the old one.
- ✓ If the passport number changes between the reservation and the start of the tour, both the old and new passports must be carried.
- ✓ If the passport information does not match the information provided to us above, you will not be able to start the tour.
- ✓ If the client does not report the existence of a new passport upon arriving in Cusco, it will not be the responsibility of Salkantay Trekking. Therefore:
 - ① It will be the complete responsibility of the client to assume the additional expenses that are generated such as transportation, food, lodging, and other expenses when returning to the city of Cusco, or to the place of origin of the Tour.
 - ② In none of the cases mentioned, Salkantay Trekking will assume any responsibility for reimbursement or modification of the tour, considering that everything is organized and subject to government policies.

Force Majeure or Causes of God

This includes any event that is outside the scope of Salkantay Trekking, such as threat of war, pandemic such as the Coronavirus, riots, civil strikes, terrorist activities, industrial disputes, diseases, natural disasters, adverse weather conditions, fires, or the like. In any of these cases, Salkantay Trekking will limit itself to the use of responsibilities and will not assume what does not correspond.

Risks

By booking any of our adventure trips (Salkantay, Inca Trail, Machu Picchu, Lares, Ausangate, Choquequirao, Rainbow Mountain, and more) the client assumes the risks associated with personal accidents, medical emergencies, problems with air travel, etc. Before any of these disagreements Salkantay Trekking is not responsible.

Policies for adventure travel

- Salkantay Trekking should be informed of any medical problems or allergies that you may have. Good physical health is essential. Otherwise, the client should consult a doctor. If you are over 70 years old, you must present a valid medical certificate that attests to your health in conditions of being able to travel.
- ✓ The guide must be informed if you want to leave the group or the camping area to go hiking or sightseeing on your own. If you have any problems during the tour, you must notify the guide immediately.
 - ✓ All balances must be paid by cash, credit card, or PayPal.
 - ✓ To receive a discount for being a student, the valid student card must be sent to Salkantay Trekking at the time of booking. This document must have a name, photo and valid expiration date. No card without expiration date will be accepted. You must carry the original student card for the excursion. Remember that you will not be allowed to go through the checkpoint without the original card.
 - ✓ At the entrance control point to the Inca Trail, you will be asked to show the original passport (not a copy) with which the reservation was made. If the reservation was made with an expired passport that was later renewed, both must be carried, in this way the identification will not be rejected.

Cancellation Policies Adventure Travel

- ✓ The deposit is 100% NON-refundable (CHECK CANCELLATION POLICIES)
- ✓ Permits for the Inca Trail are issued with a name and cannot be transferred to anyone under any circumstances. Changing dates is also not possible once a permit has been purchased. The permits are not refundable or transferable. Please note that this is a regulation of the Government of Peru and not of Salkantay Trekking.



- ✓ All adventure treks include transportation to Cusco. The return train will depend on availability.
- ✓ If the walk cannot continue, due to illness or injury, one of our representatives will accompany the affected person to a place where they can receive immediate assistance. Air transport by helicopter and medical assistance are the responsibility of the trekker. If you cannot complete the walk, you can join the group for the visit to Machu Picchu, only if you wish.
- ✓ Salkantay Trekking will take all possible precautions to avoid accidents, illnesses and loss of personal property. For this reason, it only hires trained and qualified personnel.
- ✓ Salkantay Trekking is not responsible for unfavorable weather conditions, natural catastrophes, pandemics, strikes, accidents, illnesses, injuries, loss of personal items, etc. It is the client's responsibility to carry insurance that covers this type of event. We reserve the right to modify or cancel the program due to any of the unforeseen conditions mentioned above.
- ✓ In extreme cases when the Inca Trail is declared closed for security reasons, Salkantay Trekking may replace the excursion with an alternative excursion subject to availability.



Right to use images

The client accepts and grants Salkantay Trekking the right to use images, photos, and videos during the participation in any of our packages for any type of advertising, at no cost.





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