

EXPERIENCE THE MAGIC OF THE INCA TRAIL, TWO DAYS OF HISTORY AND NATURE LEADING TO MACHU PICCHU

# SHORT INCA TRAIL

2 DAYS / 1 NIGHT



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Embark on an unforgettable journey along the Short Inca Trail, where every step connects you with the essence of the Andes and the Inca legacy. Enjoy panoramic views, ancient temples, and the thrill of visiting Machu Picchu.

## ITINERARY

### DAY 1: CUSCO - KM 104 - SUN GATE - AGUAS CALIENTES

Our day begins early in the city of Cusco. We will pick you up from your hotel and transfer you to the Ollantaytambo station, where you will board a train offering spectacular views of the Sacred Valley and the Urubamba River. Upon arrival at Km 104, we will begin the hike, starting with a visit to the Chachabamba archaeological site, surrounded by nature and history. The trail ascends through wild orchids, waterfalls, and mountains until we reach Wiñay Wayna, an impressive Inca complex where we will take a break to rest and take photos.

We will then continue toward Inti Punku, or the Sun Gate, where you will enjoy a privileged view of Machu Picchu from the outside. Finally, we will descend to the town of Machu Picchu (Aguas Calientes) to rest and prepare for the visit the following day.



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### DAY 2: MACHU PICCHU – CUSCO

After an early breakfast, we will take a bus to the entrance of Machu Picchu for a guided tour lasting approximately two to two and a half hours. You will explore temples, plazas, terraces, and iconic corners while uncovering the mysteries, history, and legends that surround this World Wonder.

After the tour, you will have free time to explore at your own pace or, if booked in advance, to hike Huayna Picchu or Machu Picchu Mountain and enjoy unforgettable panoramic views. We will then descend to Aguas Calientes, where you can have lunch on your own and celebrate this unique experience.

In the afternoon, we will board the scenic train back to Ollantaytambo and continue with a private transfer to your hotel in Cusco.



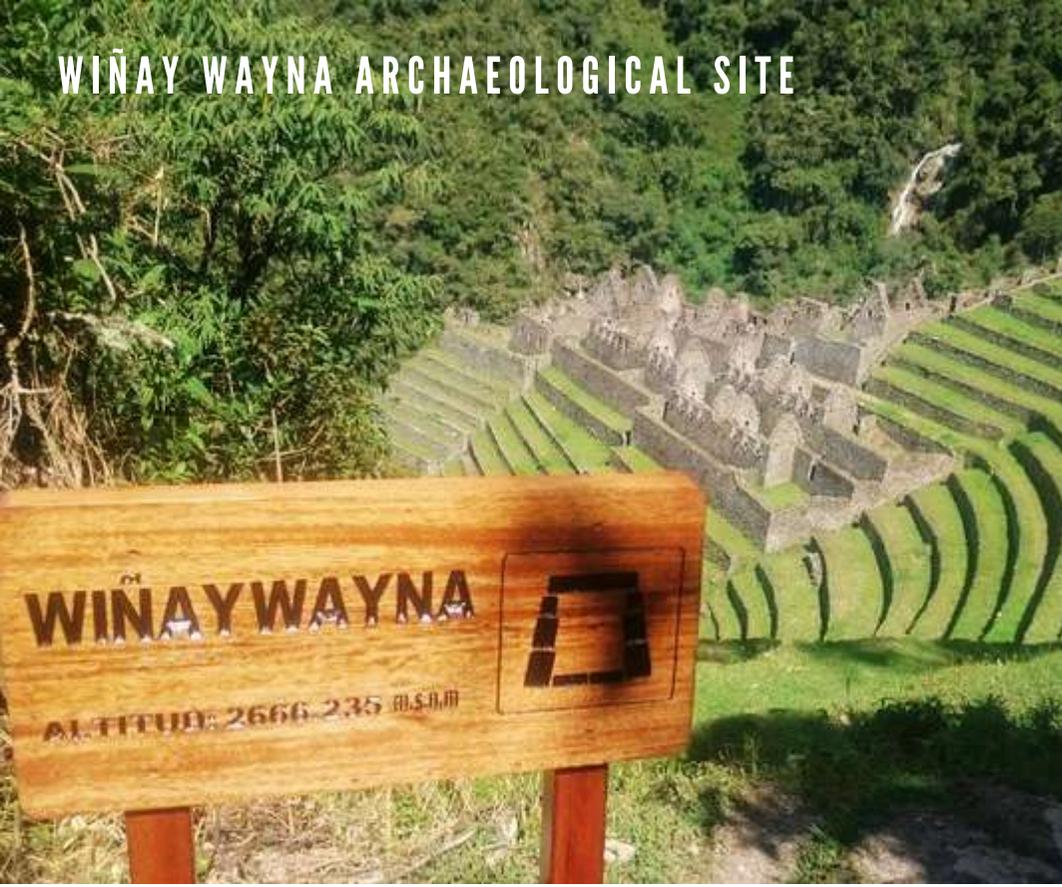
## INCLUDED

- Pre-trip briefing
- Transfers to and from your hotel in Cusco
- Train to Km 104 and return from Aguas Calientes to Ollantaytambo
- Entrance to the Inca Trail and Machu Picchu
- Certified professional guide (English/Spanish)
- 1 night in a 3-star hotel in Aguas Calientes (double/twin room)
- Machu Picchu – Aguas Calientes bus (Day 1 and Day 2)
- Box lunch on Day 1 and breakfast on Day 2

## NOT INCLUDED

- Lunch and dinner in Aguas Calientes
- Additional entrance fees with advance reservation (Huayna Picchu or Machu Picchu Mountain)
- Travel insurance
- Tips
- Personal expenses and drinks not included

WINAY WAYNA ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITE



AGUAS CALIENTES VILLAGE



TREK



CLASSIC PHOTO



SUN GATE



## WHAT TO BRING?



- Wear comfortable layered clothing, as mornings in Cusco are cold and the weather in Machu Picchu is warm and highly changeable.



- Stay hydrated and choose light snacks to enjoy the tour comfortably.



- Wear comfortable trekking shoes or boots, as you will be walking along uneven trails for approximately 7 hours.



- Carry a small daypack with only the essentials and a change of clothes for the second day.



- Use sunscreen, sunglasses, and a hat, as the sun along the route can be intense. Also, don't forget your insect repellent, as you will be trekking through cloud forest and jungle edge areas.



- Bring your ID and some cash in Peruvian soles for snacks, souvenirs, etc., as not all places accept credit cards.

## RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Book at least 3 months in advance, as permits for the Inca Trail are limited.
- Stay well hydrated throughout the hike.
- Avoid heavy or greasy meals before the tour to ensure your comfort and energy.
- Get a good night's rest the night before, as the day starts very early.
- Take your time to enjoy the views from the viewpoints and capture photos, but also spend a few moments simply soaking in the surroundings without a camera.
- Be prepared for Machu Picchu's unpredictable weather; you may experience strong sun, light rain, or mist all in the same day.
- Stay calm and enjoy every moment, as all conditions are part of the experience.
- Do not touch or climb on the structures, avoid leaving trash, and follow conservation rules; this helps keep the experience unique for everyone.
- Remember that the tour includes waiting times (train, bus, entrances), but every moment is worth it when you reach this World Wonder.

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