

## Peru

# Partially Private Salkantay Trek to Machu Picchu, an Eco-Luxury Trekking Experience

Lima - Cusco – Soraypampa – Wayracmachay - Santa Teresa – Lucmabamba - Aguas Calientes - Machu Picchu

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### BEST SEASON

April to October

### PRICE

FFrom US \$7,925 pp excluding local flights

### HOW LONG

12 Days / 11 Nights



## ITINERARY OVERVIEW

The Salkantay Trek to Machu Picchu offers an off-the-beaten-path journey that ensures a rich and rewarding exploration. This adventure goes beyond mere trekking, immersing you deeply into Andean culture and the enduring legacy of the Inca civilization. Traverse rugged terrain while delving into history, gaining insights into the extraordinary heritage woven into the fabric of these ancient lands. This comprehensive expedition blends physical endurance, cultural immersion, and spiritual discovery. Guided by expert Peruvian mountain guides and supported by a dedicated horse-packing crew, you'll trek in comfort and style along the awe-inspiring route through the Cordillera Vilcabamba. As you journey, marvel at the towering snow-capped peaks, with Mt. Salkantay as a majestic backdrop—a sacred Apu revered by local Quechua communities encountered along the way. Enjoy the comfort of private rooms, savor Peruvian cuisine, and unwind in Jacuzzis, all while basking in the warmth of cozy fireside

evenings reminiscent of the ancient Inca royalty. Additionally, travelers have time to explore Lima, experiencing the vibrant city, and in Cusco, time to acclimatize while visiting a Textile Center, Pisac Ruins, and Ollantaytambo Ruins. At the end of the journey, there's time to discover Chinchero, Maras, and Moray, adding depth and richness to the overall journey. Gather your friends and family for a grand adventure on the Salkantay Trek. This incredible journey is perfect for those seeking a shared bonding experience filled with natural beauty, cultural exploration, and adventure.

## Quick Summary

B: Breakfast L: Lunch D: Dinner OV: Overnight

Day & Location	Transportation, Highlights and Accommodations	Meals
Day 1 <b>Arrival-Lima</b>	Arrival transfer <b>OV: Hotel B</b> Altitude: (66' / 216m)	
Day 2 <b>Cusco</b>	Half day Ancient Landmarks tour including entrance fees <b>OV: Inkaterra La Casona Hotel</b> Altitude: 11,152 feet / 3,399 meters	B
Day 3 <b>Cusco</b>	Private Full day Textile Center, Pisac Ruins and Ollantaytambo Ruins, Pre-Trek Briefing. <b>OV: Inkaterra La Casona Hotel</b> Altitude: (11,152 feet / 3,399 meters)	BL
Day 4 <b>Soraypampa</b>	Quillarumivoc archaeological site, Pedregal Farmhouse, Royal Path. <b>OV: Salkantay Lodge</b> Altitude: 12,690' / 3,869m, Trekking Time: Approximately 3 hours, Hiking Level: Easy to Moderate	BLD
Day 5 <b>Soraypampa</b>	Humantay Lake, Pachamama Ceremony <b>OV: Salkantay Lodge</b> Altitude: 12,690' / 3,869m, Trekking Time: Approximately 4 hours, Hiking Level: Moderate.	BLD
Day 6 <b>Wayracmachay</b>	Crossing Salkantay Pass <b>OV: Wayra Lodge</b> Altitude: 12,812' / 3,906m, Trekking Time: Approximately 6 hours, Hiking Level: Challenging	BLD
Day 7 <b>Santa Teresa</b>	Cloud Forest descent along the Salkantay River, Pacamanca Traditional lunch cooked underground <b>OV: Colpa Lodge</b> Altitude: 9,414' / 2,870m, Trekking Time: Approximately 3 – 4 hours, Hiking Level: Easy to moderate	BLD
Day 8 <b>Lucmabamba</b>	Hike through Santa Teresa River Valley, visit organic coffee plantation <b>OV: Lucma Lodge</b> Altitude: 7,003' / 2,135m, Trekking Time: Approximately 5.5 hours, Hiking Level: Moderate to Challenging	BLD
Day 9 <b>Agua Calientes</b>	Llactapata Pass, Train ride to Aguas Calientes <b>OV: Inkaterra Pueblo Hotel</b> Altitude: 6,693'/2,040m, Trekking Time: Approximately 4–6 hours, Hiking Level: Moderate to Challenging	BL

Day 10 <b>Cusco</b>	Bus Ride to Macchu Picchu, optional hike to Huayna Picchu Mountain, Train ride to Ollantaytambo. <b>OV: Sol &amp; Luna Hotel</b> Altitude: 11,152 feet / 3,399 m	B
Day 11 <b>Cusco</b>	Chincheru, Maras and Moray <b>OV: Sol &amp; Luna Hotel</b> Altitude: 11,152 feet / 3,399 m	BL
Day 12 <b>Back to Lima</b>	Transfer to Cusco airport, flight to Lima (not included), transfer to hotel, day room at Costa del Sol Airport Hotel	B

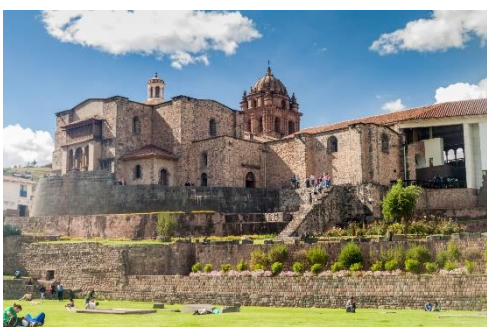
## ITINERARY IN DETAIL



### Day 1 | Arrival in Lima, Peru

Welcome to the enchanting land of Peru! Upon your arrival, you are warmly welcomed by one of our representatives, who will be awaiting your arrival to assist you and accompany you to your hotel, ensuring a seamless transition from your journey to the comfort of your accommodation. Overnight at Hotel B. Altitude:

66' / 216 meters



### Day 2 | Cusco, Ancient Landmarks tour

A land transfer takes you to the airport for a flight to Cusco. Upon arrival, a representative is waiting to take you to your hotel. This afternoon we explore the archaeological marvels of Cusco, the historical capital of South America. Wander through the enchanting cobblestone streets adorned with original Inca walls, immersing yourself in the rich tapestry of history and culture. Our adventure begins with a visit to the Santo Domingo Church, an architectural masterpiece built atop the ancient foundations of the Inca Temple of Koricancha. Delve into the mystical atmosphere of this sacred site dedicated to the worship of the Sun God. Next, ascend to the San Cristobal viewpoint, offering a breathtaking panorama of Cusco's skyline. Capture the city's beauty from this vantage point, a haven for photography enthusiasts seeking to capture the essence of the Imperial City from diverse angles. Continuing our journey, we venture to the awe-inspiring Sacsayhuaman Archaeological Site, a formidable fortress and ceremonial complex showcasing the military prowess of the Inca civilization. Marvel at its imposing structures while soaking in panoramic vistas of the city below. Our exploration then leads us to the tranquil Inca Baths of Tambomachay, where ancient rituals and ceremonies once took place amidst natural springs. Concluding our tour, we visit the iconic Main Plaza of Cusco to admire the majestic Cathedral, a testament to Spanish colonial architecture adorned with intricate silverwork. Explore its grandeur and historical significance as our guide shares insights into its construction and legacy. After an enriching day of



discovery, we return to your hotel, filled with memories of Cusco's fascinating past and architectural wonders. Overnight at Inkaterra La Casona. Altitude: 11,152 feet / 3,399 meters



### **Day 3 | Cusco, Textile Center, Pisac Ruins & Ollantaytambo Ruins**

Embark on an enriching journey through the heart of the Andean culture, beginning with a visit to an Andean textile center. Here, you'll have the unique opportunity to immerse yourself in the Quipucamayoc experience led by Master Sulca. Engage in a hands-on workshop where you'll learn to create your very own "Quipu," a symbolic instrument deeply rooted in Incan history and culture. Gain insight into its significance and symbolism as you craft your masterpiece, departing with a newfound appreciation for Andean textiles and traditions. Explore the Textile Museum and discover the fascinating world of camelids in the adjacent area. Next, venture to the Pisac archaeological complex, a mesmerizing collection of Incan ruins nestled amidst the breathtaking landscape of the Sacred Valley. Marvel at the remnants of ancient dwellings, temples, and terraces, all harmoniously integrated with the natural surroundings. Indulge in a delightful garden lunch at Belmond Rio Sagrado, savoring a culinary experience amidst the serene beauty of the valley. Conclude your day with a visit to the legendary Incan fortress and citadel of Ollantaytambo. Discover the strategic significance of this imposing structure, which once served as a stronghold to protect the valley from potential invasions. Learn about the historic clash between Manco Inca's forces and Hernando Pizarro's troops in 1537, as you explore the ancient ruins. After a day filled with cultural immersion and historical exploration, you are chauffeured back to your hotel, reflecting on the captivating tales of the Andean civilizations.

#### **Pre-Trip Evening Briefing for the Salkantay Trek**

Join us this evening at 7 p.m. for a comprehensive 45-minute trip briefing, where you'll have the chance to connect with your local guide and fellow travelers. This informative session will provide valuable insights into your upcoming journey and offer an opportunity for questions and answers. Prepare to embark on an unforgettable adventure filled with excitement, discovery, and camaraderie. Overnight at Inkaterra La Casona. Altitude: 11,152 feet / 3,399 meters



### **Day 4 | On the way to Soraypampa – Start of the Salkantay Trek**

Following an early breakfast, your guide and driver will promptly collect you from your hotel in Cusco. Our first destination is the Quillarumiyoc archaeological site, a significant stop on our route to the mountain village of Mollepata. Delight in a delectable lunch at El Pedregal, an idyllic farmhouse nestled in the heart of the village, where you'll have the opportunity to gain insights into local agriculture and livestock practices. Following lunch, embark on a scenic

journey along the winding mountain road to Challacancha. From there, commence your hike towards our renowned Salkantay Lodge at Soraypampa, tracing the picturesque path known as the “Camino Real” (Royal Path). Please note: While we highly encourage guests to participate in the hike for continued altitude acclimatization, those who prefer may opt for transportation directly to Salkantay Lodge. Overnight at Salkantay Lodge. Altitude: 12,690' / 3,869 meters, Trekking Time: Approximately 3 hours, Hiking Level: Easy to Moderate



### Day 5 | Hike to Lake Humantay

Following breakfast, embark on an ascent up the slopes bordering the plateau behind Salkantay Lodge\*. After approximately an hour and a half, your perseverance will be rewarded with the breathtaking sight of the lake's shimmering turquoise waters and the imposing Humantay glacier towering above. Upon reaching this serene destination, take a moment to unwind, savor a light snack, find solace in the tranquility of this enchanting locale, and partake in a traditional ceremony honoring “la Pachamama” (Mother Earth). Upon your return descent to the lodge, the Salkantay team will warmly welcome you with a delicious hot lunch. The afternoon invites leisurely pursuits, whether it be unwinding, indulging in a rejuvenating massage, or luxuriating in the outdoor hot tub, offering a splendid vista of the Salkantay Peak against the backdrop of a stunning sunset. Overnight at Salkantay Lodge. Altitude: 12,690' / 3,869 meters, Trekking Time: Approximately 4 hours, Hiking Level: Moderate.

#### Optional Activities for the day

- Chakana excursion (subject to additional cost): Horseback/hiking combo up the steep hills adjacent the lodge. The destination—a dramatic lookout point over the Salkantay River Valley marked by an oversized Inca Chakana (cross). This excursion will replace the hike to the glacier lake. Duration: Approximately 5 hours (1.5 – 2 hours on horseback)
- Horseback riding (subject to additional cost): After lunch, spend a leisurely afternoon exploring Soraypampa on horseback. Duration: Approximately 2 hours.



### Day 6 | Crossing the Salkantay Pass

Following an early start, embark on the ascent towards the Salkantay Pass. The journey commences with a circuit around Humantay Peak, gradually navigating expansive plateaus connected by imposing boulders, remnants of the once-divided Rio Blanco Valley. The final and most challenging leg of the ascent entails conquering the mountain switchbacks leading to the pass, the pinnacle of the trek at 15,213 feet (4,636 meters) above sea level. The adventure continues with a striking descent through fields adorned with substantial boulders and natural stone formations, often cloaked in fog. Take a moment to rest and replenish with trail mix before embarking on the final hike through the area's picturesque countryside. Traverse rolling hills and marsh-like plateaus until reaching the Wayra Lodge at Wayracmachay, where you can cleanse away trail residue and savor a delectable hot lunch.

In the afternoon, unwind in the Jacuzzi or relish the awe-inspiring views of the lofty snow-capped peaks that surround you. Overnight at Wayra Lodge. Altitude: 12,812' / 3,906 meters, Trekking Time: Approximately 6 hours, Hiking Level: Challenging



### **Day 7 | Descending into the Cloud Forest**

Following a leisurely breakfast at Wayra Lodge, continue your descent towards the cloud forest, tracing the path along the banks of the Salkantay River amidst increasingly lush scenery. As you journey, expect to feel the warm air rising from the jungle's edge, accompanied by the vibrant presence of colorful butterflies and exquisite orchids. Along the trail, encounter more local Andean communities, passing by

their humble dwellings and rustic fences. Around midday, arrive at Colpa Lodge, situated on a lofty promontory where three rivers converge. Here, the Colpa staff will welcome you with a traditional Peruvian Pachamanca lunch, prepared using hot stones in a subterranean oven. Following lunch, indulge in an afternoon of relaxation, basking in the sun or unwinding in the outdoor hot tub while marveling at the sweeping vistas of the verdant mountains that envelop you. Overnight at Colpa Lodge. Altitude: 9,414' / 2,870 meters, Trekking Time: Approximately 3 – 4 hours, Hiking Level: Easy to moderate



### **Day 8 | Following the Santa Teresa River Valley**

Today's itinerary entails a scenic hike through the Santa Teresa River Valley, traversing a gentle trail that meanders amidst fertile fruit orchards and intersects streams from glacier-fed waterfalls. Take a moment to rejuvenate alongside the river with a trail mix break, then press onward for another hour until you reach the designated meeting point for pickup by an MLP

transport vehicle. After a brief drive, arrive at the base of the Llactapata Inca Trail steps leading to Lucma Lodge. Relish a delightful lunch upon arrival at the lodge, followed by a visit to an organic coffee plantation. Renowned for producing some of the finest organic coffees globally, these plantations offer insight into the region's rich coffee culture. As you transition to Lucmabamba, you'll notice a climate change characterized by heightened humidity and warm air, signaling your proximity to the Amazon Jungle's edge. Overnight at Lucma Lodge. Altitude: 7,003' / 2,135 meters, Trekking Time: Approximately 5.5 hours, Hiking Level: Moderate to Challenging





### **Day 9 | Lucmabamba – First Views of Machu Picchu**

Following breakfast, commence your journey from Lucma Lodge, embarking on a 2-3 hour ascent through the cloud forest along a trail predominantly comprised of original Inca steps. Enveloped by lush green canopies created by the towering trees, the tranquil ambiance is complemented by the soothing sound of rushing water, indicating the proximity of the river. Your

primary objective today is reaching the peak, the final ascent before descending to the Aobamba River Valley, which serves as the conduit to Machu Picchu. Upon reaching the Llactapata Pass at an elevation of 8,974 feet (2,736 meters), be rewarded with a southeast-facing vista of Machu Picchu, a rare and privileged sight enjoyed by few travelers. After exploring Llactapata, the Inca tambo that signifies the pass, indulge in a picnic lunch at a scenic mountain lookout point offering panoramic views. Embark on the final descent along a zigzagging trail through verdant bamboo forests, diverse fruit orchards, and additional coffee plantations. Celebrate as you traverse the bridge over the roaring Aobamba River, marking the culmination of your trek as you make your way to the Hidroelectrica train station. Here, board a picturesque one-hour train journey to the town of Aguas Calientes, nestled on the banks of the Urubamba River at the base of Machu Picchu. Overnight at Inkaterra Pueblo Hotel. Altitude: 6,693'/2,040 meters, Trekking Time: Approximately 4–6 hours, Hiking Level: Moderate to Challenging



### **Day 10 | The Citadel of Machu Picchu – End of Salkantay Trek**

Your journey to Machu Picchu begins with a morning rollicking uphill bus ride. As you enter the 'sanctuary' (as locals refer to it), prepare to be awed by the imposing, skillful architecture of the Watchtower, the Temple of the Sun, and the royal Inca residences, among others. After a two-hour guided tour, you will have free time to explore on your own, including a hike up Huayna Picchu Mountain\*\* for dramatic views that stretch from

the Urubamba River Valley to the edge of the Amazon Jungle. At some point, be sure to take a moment and sit quietly—listen to the wind, meditate, and absorb the mystical energy that envelops you. After the visit, you will have lunch in Aguas Calientes before a scenic Vistadome train ride to Ollantaytambo (approximately 1.5 hours) and a vehicle transfer to your hotel in Cusco (approximately 1.5 hours). As night falls and you arrive amidst the hustle and bustle of the city, you will be touched by a feeling of peace and rejuvenation that will linger long after your journey home. \*\*Note: Tickets for Huayna Picchu Mt. (8,924' / 2,720m) may be available subject to additional cost (an extra day is necessary to visit the place). If Huayna Picchu permits are not available for your desired date, you may opt for a hike up Machu Picchu Mt. (10,112 / 3,082m), located next to the Machu Picchu Citadel on the southern side. Please consult your Travel Master for detailed information. Overnight at Hotel Sol & Luna. Altitude: 11,152 feet / 3,399 meters



### **Day 11 | Morning free, Lunch at UNU and afternoon Visit Maras and Moray**

Indulge in a tranquil morning at leisure amidst the breathtaking beauty of the Sacred Valley at Hotel Sol y Luna. Awaken to the serene ambiance of the Andean mountains and immerse yourself in the vibrant colors of the surrounding landscape. Take leisurely strolls through the lush gardens, adorned with vibrant flowers and towering trees, or simply relax by the sparkling poolside, basking in the warmth of the Peruvian sun. Treat yourself to a rejuvenating spa session or savor a delicious breakfast featuring local specialties, prepared with fresh ingredients sourced from the valley. Lunch is served at UNU Restaurant, located in the Sacred Valley of Peru. The prix fixe menu allows guests to savor the flavors of the local cuisine which provides an opportunity to experience authentic Peruvian food. The restaurant is known for its delightful views of the mountains, creating a serene environment for guests to enjoy their meals. After lunch, a captivating journey takes us through the Sacred Valley of the Incas, delving into the ancient traditions of the region. Our first stop takes us to the mesmerizing salt fields of Maras, where natural springs yield an abundant harvest of salt. Witness the breathtaking sight of endless terraces adorned with crystalline salt deposits, reflecting the vibrant hues of the sun's rays. Gain insight into the remarkable ingenuity of the Incas as you learn about their innovative methods of resource generation. Continuing our exploration, we venture to the enigmatic Moray terraces, an architectural marvel nestled amidst the Andean landscape. Marvel at the intricate circular terraces arranged in immense cone-shaped depressions, resembling nature's own fingerprints. Discover the ingenious agricultural techniques employed by the Incas to adapt plants to diverse climatic conditions, utilizing the microclimates created by the terraces at varying heights. As we conclude our tour, we return to your hotel, leaving you with lasting memories of the ancient wisdom and ingenuity of the Inca civilization. Overnight at Hotel Sol & Luna. Altitude: 11,152 feet / 3,399 meters



### **Day 12 | Back to Lima for departure – Hotel for Day Use included**

Transfer to Cusco airport for a flight to Lima. Airport reception and room for day use at the Ramada Costa del Sol hotel at the Lima airport until your flight departure.

#### **Important information regarding the Salkantay Trek:**

The trek is fully private for the first three and last two days. During the middle portion, you will join a group of up to 14 trekkers. The Salkantay to Machu Picchu Trek has limited access to car transportation on Days 4, 5, 7, 8, and 9. Furthermore, emergency horses are available to assist



hikers along the Trail. Our trip leaders are Expert Bilingual Peruvian Mountain guides. If you wish to have a fully private experience for the Salkantay Trek itself a surcharge of \$2,795 applies for the whole party up to 6 people. All meals and beverages are included at the Lodges as specified. A premium selection of wines, spirits and liquors are offered at an additional cost. Soft drinks and alcoholic beverages are subject to an additional cost at our partner properties in Lima, the Sacred Valley and Aguas Calientes. In consideration of the adventurous nature of the trip, the risks associated with alcohol consumption, and the importance of maintaining positive group dynamics, we encourage guests to enjoy alcoholic beverages in moderation. Green Planet Expeditions and our tour operator reserve the right to modify or suspend a guest's access to alcohol and/or trip partially or entirely if the guest's health or safety may be at risk due to excessive alcohol consumption.

## Pricing

2025	High Season (April 1-Oct 31 and Dec 15-31)	Low Season (Nov 1 – Dec 14)
Group of 2 people	\$10,150 per person	\$8,625 per person
Group of 4 people	\$9,625 per person	\$7,995 per person
Group of 6 people	\$9,475 per person	\$7,925 per person

Rates valid for 2024, Except National Holidays for the land services: May 1, June 20-25 in Cusco Inti Raymi festivity, July 25-28 (Independence days), Christmas and New Year eve. Doesn't include internal flights, approx. cost \$450-\$550

## Included

- All guided tours and excursions on a shared basis from day 4 to day 10, with private services as specified for the rest of the side trips
- All entrance fees to the sites mentioned in the above itinerary
- Meals as indicated [B-Breakfast, L-Lunch, D-Dinner]
- The highest quality filtered water is available at all lodges
- Hotel accommodation as mentioned in the itinerary
- Day room on last day at Costa Sol Hotel
- Roundtrip train ticket to Machu Picchu via Vistadome or 360° train per person
- Entrance ticket to Machu Picchu per person
- Bus ticket to and from the Machu Picchu ruins per person
- Transportation of personal belongings on the trek by pack horses/mules and/porters
- Gratuities at all the hotels from day 4 to day 10 (during the trek)
- Wireless internet access at all lodges and hotels from day 4 to day 10 (during the trek)
- Permanent assistance during the trip
- Green Planet Expeditions travel consultation and pre-departure services

## Not included

- International and domestic airfares
- Meals or any other item not described in the itinerary
- Bottled water, sports drinks, additional alcoholic beverages, and meals other than those listed above
- Early check-in, late check-out, services, and non-mentioned meals in the itinerary
- Personal expenses for extra services such as massages and laundry service
- Optional activities such as Chakana Inca Cross Excursion, horseback riding, and other tours are offered at the lodges.
- Changes in your itinerary for reasons beyond our control
- Gratuities for the main guide and porters (\$10-\$20 per person, per day, suggested for lead guide and \$5-\$15 per person, per day, suggested for assisting guide/porter)
- Permits for Huayna Picchu Mountain and/or Machu Picchu Mountain
- Mandatory Travel Insurance: To ensure a smooth travel experience, all participants are required to have a comprehensive travel insurance policy. This policy should include trip cancellation, medical services, and coverage for active adventures or evacuations. "Cancel For Any Reason" (CFAR) coverage is highly recommended to protect your investment in case of unforeseen circumstances.
- Any other items not mentioned above

## ACCOMMODATIONS



### Hotel B, Lima

Hotel B is a charming boutique hotel located in the heart of Lima, Peru. As Lima's only Relais & Châteaux hotel, this restored Belle Époque mansion was first built in 1914 as a summer home for a wealthy Limeño family. The hotel offers a blend of modern comfort and traditional Peruvian charm, with spacious and stylishly appointed rooms featuring comfortable beds, private bathrooms, and air conditioning. Guests can enjoy a delicious breakfast buffet each morning, featuring a variety of local and international dishes. The hotel also

offers free Wi-Fi throughout the property, allowing guests to stay connected during their stay. Bar, restaurant, room service, 24-hour front desk service, and luggage storage are other amenities available. This hotel is the perfect base for exploring the vibrant city of Lima, with its many attractions and cultural experiences just a short walk away.



### Inkaterra La Casona Hotel, Cusco

Hotel Inkaterra La Casona is a luxurious Relais & Chateau boutique hotel located in the heart of Cusco, Peru, offering a blend of colonial charm and modern amenities. Nestled in a restored 17th-century mansion, the hotel provides a unique and immersive experience. The hotel's spacious and elegantly appointed rooms feature antique furnishings, comfortable beds, and private bathrooms. Guests can enjoy panoramic views of the city from the rooftop

terrace, relax in the tranquil courtyard, or indulge in a pampering massage at the on-site spa. The hotel's restaurant serves delicious Peruvian cuisine, showcasing the region's rich culinary heritage. Amenities include rooftop terrace with panoramic city views, a tranquil courtyard, on-site spa offering a variety of relaxing treatments, restaurant serving delicious Peruvian cuisine Free Wi-Fi throughout the property, 24-hour front desk service, Concierge services and luggage storage. Hotel Inkaterra La Casona is the perfect base for exploring the vibrant city of Cusco and the surrounding attractions, including the historic Plaza de Armas, the Qoricancha temple, and the nearby Inca ruins.



### **Salkantay Lodge, Soraypampa**

Salkantay Lodge is a cozy and welcoming accommodation situated along the renowned Salkantay Trail in Peru. Designed with the needs of hikers in mind, Salkantay Lodge offers a range of amenities to ensure a pleasant stay. The lodge features 12 heated rooms to provide warmth and comfort during the cool Andean nights. For relaxation

and rejuvenation after a day of trekking, guests can enjoy a soak in the outdoor Jacuzzi. In addition to its comfortable accommodations, Salkantay Lodge also boasts a reading room for those seeking a quiet moment, a lounge with a fireplace to unwind in a cozy atmosphere, and a dining room serving delicious Peruvian-fusion cuisine to satisfy even the most discerning appetites. Other amenities include Free Wi-Fi, on-site laundry service, luggage storage and shared bathroom facilities. With its prime location and excellent amenities, Salkantay Lodge is an ideal choice for trekkers seeking a comfortable and memorable experience on the Salkantay Trail.



### **Wayra Lodge, Wayramachay**

Wayra Lodge is a luxurious, modern mountain retreat nestled in the breathtaking Peruvian Andes. Perched at an impressive altitude of 12,812 feet, this cozy and inviting property offers panoramic views of Mount Humantay. After a day of exhilarating trekking in the surrounding peaks, guests can return to Wayra Lodge for gourmet cuisine and 6 comfortable bedrooms. The lodge features communal areas designed for

relaxation and socializing, including a dining room and lounge equipped with comfortable sofas and a wood-burning stove. For ultimate indulgence, guests can unwind in the alfresco hot tub while enjoying the stunning mountain scenery.





### **Colpa Lodge, Santa Teresa**

Perched atop a 1,000-foot bluff overlooking the scenic Colpampa Valley, Colpa Lodge offers a tranquil escape surrounded by lush forests. This comfortable lodge, designed for trekkers along the Salkantay Trail, features six double rooms that can accommodate up to four guests each. Three of these rooms boast stunning views of the surrounding landscape. Each room is equipped with a private bathroom and is maintained at a comfortable temperature of 23 degrees Celsius/73.4 degrees Fahrenheit. After a day of trekking, guests can relax and rejuvenate in the lodge's outdoor Jacuzzi. For those seeking a unique cultural experience, a visit to the local school can be arranged with an early morning departure. Additional Amenities include a communal dining area, lounge area, on-site restaurant, luggage storage and shared bathroom facilities.



### **Lucma Lodge, Lucmabamba**

Lucma Lodge is nestled in a lush avocado orchard at the edge of the Amazon jungle, offers a serene and comfortable retreat along the Salkantay Trail. Perched at 2,135 meters (7,003') near the Lactapata Inca trail and the village of Lucmabamba, this lodge blends traditional Incan-inspired architecture with modern comforts, resembling a contemporary treehouse. Its multi-pane windows stretch nearly to the ceiling, giving guests the sensation of living amidst the surrounding foliage. The lodge has six heated rooms with goose-down bedding, private en suite bathrooms, and hot showers. Though none of the rooms have direct views, the lodge's outdoor Jacuzzi and spacious sitting areas offer spectacular valley vistas. Guests can unwind in the lounge bar with a fireplace or enjoy massage services. Meals are multi-course Peruvian-fusion dishes made from locally sourced ingredients, including organic coffee, some of the best you might taste!



### **Inkaterra Pueblo Hotel, Aguas Calientes**

Inkaterra Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel is housed in a charming colonial-style building in Aguas Calientes, now called Machu Picchu Pueblo, in the Sacred Valley of the Incas. Nestled amidst lush gardens and surrounded by breathtaking mountain scenery, the hotel offers a peaceful and immersive experience. The hotel's rustic-chic accommodations feature comfortable beds, private bathrooms, and traditional Andean decor including Andean tapestries, soft cotton linens, and cozy alpaca blankets. Many rooms also offer modern amenities like Wi-Fi, fireplaces, marble washbasins, or even private pools. There is a restaurant which boasts stunning views of the Vilcanota River and serves delectable Andean cuisine. Guests can also relax in the outdoor pool, explore the hotel's gardens, the library or browse the unique items in the gift shop. The hotel also offers a variety of activities, including guided hikes, cooking classes, and cultural experiences.



### **Sol y Luna Hotel, Cusco**

Hotel Sol y Luna is a charming boutique hotel located in the heart of Cusco, Peru. As a member of Relais & Châteaux, the hotel offers a luxurious and personalized experience. Nestled amidst cobblestone streets and colonial architecture, and surrounded by breathtaking Andean landscapes, the hotel provides a peaceful and authentic atmosphere. It's spacious and comfortable rooms, known as casitas, feature traditional Andean decor, comfortable beds, and private bathrooms. All casitas boast colonial features, terracotta floors, and

timber ceilings, creating a warm and inviting ambiance. A la carte breakfast with pastries that would please any Parisian. The hotel also offers a rooftop terrace with stunning city views, a cozy lounge area, a heated pool, and a hot tub. Other amenities include a cozy lounge area, heated pool and hot tub, free Wi-Fi throughout the property, 24-hour front desk service, luggage storage, and tour desk. Hotel Sol y Luna is the perfect base for exploring the vibrant city of Cusco and its many attractions, including the historic Plaza de Armas, the Qoricancha temple, and the nearby Inca ruins.



### **Costa del Sol Airport Hotel, Lima**

Linked directly to Jorge Chávez International Airport (LIM) and offering upscale amenities for discerning travelers, the hotel offers ultimate convenience and comfort,, whether you're exploring Peru's capital or just passing through. Experience legendary Peruvian hospitality as soon as you arrive, with a handy walkway that leads from the terminal to the front door and a free welcome drink upon check-in. Unwind in the serenity of your guest room, relax in our spa, or take advantage of the 24-hour fitness facilities—featuring

an indoor pool, hot tub, sauna and steam room, and massage services. Breakfast is included daily as well as free wi-fi service.

## **Booking your Green Planet Expedition**

### **How to reserve a trip**

To secure your spot on a trip, you can conveniently book online using our ["Reserve a Trip"](#) form or by calling 1-800-430-9498. Your reservation is confirmed upon receipt of the reservation form and the initial 50% trip deposit.

Please note that we are unable to hold space until the deposit is received. If the requested space is unavailable, we will promptly provide alternative options for your consideration (if an upgrade is necessary, higher rates may apply).

### **Pre departure service**

Upon receipt of your deposit and completed reservation form, we will email you a comprehensive Predeparture Dossier. This contains important information to help you

prepare including immunizations, visas, trip insurance, packing checklist, reading list, maps, cross-cultural information, optional trip extensions, and more. You will receive a final trip email including Final Reminders and local contact information in your destination 2-3 weeks before departure.

## **Terms and Conditions**

Green Planet Expeditions has arranged your trip utilizing the travel services of local in-country ground operators who are independent contractors. These local outfitters, lodges, hotels, and other suppliers of your travel services will make every effort to conduct this trip as described in the itinerary; however, it is possible that due to transportation schedule changes, weather, delays, and unforeseeable acts of God, humans or nature, this itinerary may vary from what is described. Participants must assume all risks whether identified in advance or unforeseen. All optional activities are at your own risk. Extra costs due to unexpected changes in your itinerary for reasons beyond our control are not included.

Caring for our planet is integral to our ethos. In alignment with our commitment to sustainability, a carbon emissions mitigation fee is incorporated into all our trips. This fee contributes to environmental initiatives that offset the carbon footprint associated with our journeys, ensuring a positive impact on the destinations we explore. Your safety and peace of mind during the journey is our top priorities. **The purchase of traveler's insurance is mandatory for all participants, and it must cover trip delays, trip cancellations, baggage, accident, or sickness. In some specific cases like Antarctica, it must cover evacuation.**

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At Green Planet Expeditions, we craft strategically curated journeys that immerse travelers in the finest of nature, culture, and local traditions, always seeking out opportunities for exceptional dining experiences. Our expertise lies in tailor-made trips to destinations where we maintain close relationships with local partners, ensuring flawless execution with the assistance of passionate guides deeply connected to their heritage and committed to its preservation.

We believe that tourism, when harnessed thoughtfully, becomes a powerful catalyst for conservation and community upliftment in the destinations we visit.

## **As with any good recipe, our trips are infused with the following flavors:**

- Positive impact on the areas you choose to visit, directly or indirectly.
- Amazing private local guides.
- Lovely small boutique hotels according to your budget.
- Good food, no matter how remote the destination is, we strive to offer good cuisine.
- Our trips frequently include surprises, which often turn out to be the highlight of the journey.
- When open to it, visits to less-known destinations, reserved for the daring few, and engages in intimate and meaningful encounters with locals—a cherished treasure



highly valued by discerning travelers, as we have discovered through our years of experience in the industry.

### **Still haven't found what you're looking for?**

We offer a wide range of amazing trips that may not all be listed on our website. Plus, we can custom-build pretty much whatever your heart desires, so let us know what we can do for you. If you have any questions about our expedition cruises, private trips, or just want to talk travel, give us a call at +1 800- 430 9498 or contact us via email at [travel@greenplanetexpeditions.com](mailto:travel@greenplanetexpeditions.com)