

Tours

Inca Star Trail: An Astrotourism Journey

Cusco- Little Cusco - Maras

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What mysteries does the Andean sky hide?

Imagine the whisper of the Andean wind guiding you along ancestral paths, where each step brings you closer to the immensity of the cosmos.

- Feel the energy of the Apus, the sacred mountains, as the night sky unfolds before you, revealing ancient secrets.
- This is not just a journey, it is a transformation, a deep connection with the Andean worldview and with yourself.
- Allow yourself to be guided by the stars and discover the magic that lies in the heart of the Andes.



Tours INCA STAR PATH

An Astrotourism Trip



ASTRONOMICAL EXPLORATION IN MARAS, PERU

Maras, a destination with a space certified as a starlight site by the Starlight Foundation, recognized for its first-class dark skies.





It's not just about seeing the stars, but about discovering what they hide. It's about feeling the immensity of the cosmos above you, about traveling without moving, about experiencing infinity with your own eyes.





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ITINERARY

ARRIVAL IN CUSCO AND ASTROTOURISM CONNECTION WITH THE SACRED CITY

Morning (8:00 - 12:00):

Arrival at Alejandro Velasco Astete International Airport in Cusco (3,399 masl).

Transfer to a 3-star hotel in the historic center.

Rest and acclimatization (coca tea, hydration).

Afternoon (14:00 - 18:00): City tour and the Andean worldview.

Visit to the Koricancha (Inca temple), where we have a guided tour about the importance of astronomy in the cultures that developed in the Andes.

Tour of Sacsayhuaman (Inca temple), highlighting its megalithic architecture, location and importance in the Andean cosmovision.

Night (19:00):

Thematic scene



DAY

STELLAR HIKE TO HUCHUY QOSQO (HOMESTAY)

Morning (8:00 - 13:00):

Transfer to Tambomachay (3,700 msnm), start of the hike.

Hike to Huchuy Qosqo (3,600 msnm): Inca trails, Andean landscapes.

Approximate distance: 10 km (moderate to demanding walk).

Afternoon (1:00pm - 6:00pm):

Arrival in Huchuy Qosqo, exploration of the archaeological site.

Homestay experience in a local community: Evening:

Dinner prepared by the host family Starry Night: Astrotourism, Andean worldview and the relationship with dark skies, observation of constellations and interpretation in the Andes.



STAR WALK DAY 2 OF HUCHUY QOSQO PIURAY MISMINAY: A JOURNEY TO THE STARS

Morning (8:00 - 13:00):

Hike from Huchuy Qosqo to Chinchero.

Approximate distance: 12 km (moderate to demanding walk). Transfer to the community of Ocotuan in the Piuray lagoon. Lunch prepared by the community hosts (Pachamanca) on the shores of the Piuray lagoon.

Afternoon (14:00 - 18:00):

 Visit to the Cheqoq archaeological site
 Visit to Misminay (3,750 masl):
 Homestay experience in another local community.

Evening:

Dinner prepared by the host family.





DAY

STELLAR FAREWELL: VISIT TO MORAY AND SALINERAS

Morning (8:00 - 12:00):

Breakfast

Participation in local activities, wise artisans show knowledge about iconography, ancestral techniques, representing the "Hatunmayo" (Milky Way from the Andean worldview perspective).

Cultural exchange, about the community, the Andean worldview through astrotourism. I recommend it because in the morning they are more organized, in the afternoon it is a bit tiring.

Option A: Transfer to the Moray complex and the Maras Salt Mines (3,300 meters above sea level):

Guided tour and learning about salt extraction.

Return to Cusco.

Option B: Transfer to Moray and the Maras Salt Mines (3,300 meters above sea level):

Guided tour and learning about salt extraction.

Transfer to Ollantaytambo for connection to Machupicchu (optional)















- Transfers
- **Arrival and departure transfers**
- Comfortable tourist transport for visits
- Accommodation
- 01 night Cusco 3 or 4 star hotel
- 01 night at Misminay Homestay
- 01 night in Machupicchu 3 or 4 star hotel
- Feeding
- 3 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners.
- If you have a restriction, such as vegetarian or vegan food, let us know Tours
- View in Cusco city of the Inca temples of Koricancha and Sacsayhuaman.
- Visit to the archaeological complex of Huchuy Qosqo, Piuray lagoon. Salt mines of Maras, Moray
- and Misminay • Visit to Ollantaytambo, archaeological site
- and town
- Official tourism guide.
- Entrance fees to tourist sites
- Assistance from the agency.







- Breakfast Day 1.
- **Tuition fees**
- Personal drinks







ANDEAN EXPLORER'S CUSCO TOUR OPERATOR

Outfit

- ✓ Hat or cap Waterproof jacket.
- Cotton polo shirt.
- Waterproof trousers.
- Sunglasses. Cotton stockings. Trekking shoes.
- Gloves.
- It is not advisable to wear shorts or skirts due

- ✓ to the mosquitoes present in the area.
 If you are travelling with children, it is important
 ✓ to bring a baby carrier and light, warm clothing.



Don't forget

- Identity documents: Passport or ID (depending on the country visited) and visa (if necessary).
 Money: Cash and/or credit/debit card to pay expenses during the trip.
 Medications Chargers and batteries Luggage: Suitcase, backpack or handbag to carry personal items necessary during the trip.
- Accessories: Sunglasses, hat, sunscreen and insect repellent.



Recommendations



For your trip



RESPECT AND COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THE PROTOCOLS IMPLEMENTED AT THE TOURIST SITES TO BE VISITED.





PLEASE FOLLOW THE RECOMMENDATIONS GIVEN BY THE TOUR GUIDES. WE RECOMMEND ARRIVING IN CUSCO BEFORE 10:00 AM.

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ALLOW CONTROLS OF DOCUMENTS AND INCOME FOR EACH TOURIST SERVICE AND ACCORDING TO THE PROTOCOLS IMPLEMENTED AT THE TOURIST SITES TO BE VISITED.





STAY WITHIN THE SPACES DELIMITED BY THE TOURIST SITES AND ESTABLISHMENTS TO BE VISITED, WHICH WILL BE INFORMED BY THE TOURIST GUIDE.





ASK PERMISSION FROM THE LOCAL POPULATION THROUGH THE GUIDE IF YOU WANT TO TAKE PHOTOS OF THEM.





SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES BY PURCHASING THEIR CRAFTS, FOOD AND MORE. WE INVITE YOU TO READ OUR BLOG

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BE AWARE OF THE EFFECTS OF ALTITUDE, CUSCO IS LOCATED 3,300M ABOVE SEA LEVEL SO IT IS COMMON TO EXPERIENCE SYMPTOMS OF ALTITUDE SICKNESS. MAKE SURE TO DRINK PLENTY OF WATER, AVOID ALCOHOL.





THE CULTURE IN PERU IS VERY DIVERSE, SO IT IS IMPORTANT TO BE RESPECTFUL OF LOCAL TRADITIONS AND CUSTOMS. WHEN VISITING TEMPLES OR SACRED SITES, BE SURE TO DRESS APPROPRIATELY AND FOLLOW THE RULES OF BEHAVIOR.

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WE ASK THAT YOU DO NOT TAKE PHOTOS WITH PEOPLE WITH BABY ANIMALS SUCH AS LLAMAS, SHEEP, ALPACAS SINCE THESE POOR ANIMALS SUFFER ANIMAL ABUSE.

Validity

• Valid until December 31, 2025, including Easter, national holidays and New Year's Eve.

Valid until December 3
 The rate is per person.

Children up to 2 years old do not pay, minors from 8 to 17 years old and students with a university ID pay.

 Tours are conducted in group service and are subject to order changes depending on weather conditions.

Rates are not valid for 2, 3 and 4 star hotels on HOLIDAY DATES.

Cusco Holidays: June 23 and 24, 2025 (check for additional charges on these dates)

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 Peru's national holidays: July 28 and 29, 2025 (check for additional surcharge on these dates)

Christmas and New Year: From December 20, 2025 to January 10, 2026

Easter: Ask about additional charges on these dates

Regional or departmental holidays in each region

















ANDEAN EXPLORERS CUSCO We are from Cusco!



Your best choice for an authentic and enriching experience in Cusco. As a local company made up of local experts, connecting nature, adventure and communities, with a great environmental commitment



EXPLORING THE DIVERSITY OF CUSCO

We are your passport to unique tourist experiences, in the heart of nature and adventure.

THE AGENCY HAS BEEN AWARDED ON MULTIPLE OCCASIONS, STANDING OUT FOR HAVING TOURISM **QUALITY, RESPONSIBLE** TOURISM, IMPORTANT IN THE TOURISM INDUSTRY.



MISSION

To meet the expectations of our clients, promoting the wealth of our country, with trained personnel, with a vocation for service, internationally recognized quality and sustainability standards and complying with the regulations of the sector.

MISSION | VISION | VALUES VISION

To be the leading company in the Cusco region in the management of quality tourism, sustainability and corporate social responsibility by 2025.

VALUES

Respect, Commitment, Solidarity, Cooperation, Honesty, Excellence.







NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL **CERTIFICATES**

COMPAÑÍA CERTIFICADA













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ANDEAN EXPLORER'S CUSCO

It has been recognized for its sustainable and responsible practices in tourism, obtaining the "Sustainable" Tourism Seal" award granted by the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Tourism of Peru.

OUR COMMITMENTS

Unparalleled efficiency

Compliance and Respect

Caring for Nature

Community Empowerment

Committed Team

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