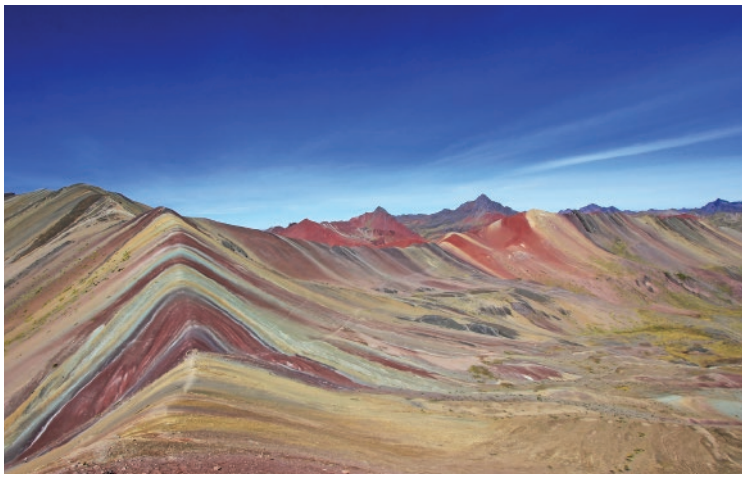
South America

Ausangate Trek

trip highlights

- Trek around Mount Ausangate (6384m / 20945ft), Peru's highest sacred mountain
- Visit Rainbow Mountain (Vinicunca), known for its distinctive mineral-striped colours
- Cross high-altitude passes above 5000m / 16404ft in the Cordillera Vilcanota
- Walk through remote Andean valleys with glacial lakes and alpine landscapes
- Camp in high mountain environments including at the base of Ausangate



Trip Duration	5 days	**Trip Code:** AUR
Grade	Moderate	
Activities	5 Day Trek, Trekking	
Summary	5 day trek, 4 nights camping	

welcome to World Expeditions

For over 50 years, we've been creating high-quality, expedition-style adventures for active travellers with a curious spirit. From our very first trek in the mountains of Nepal to pioneering remote routes across all seven continents, our journeys are built for those who want to truly explore – not just visit.

At the heart of what we do is a simple philosophy: take the paths less travelled.

This means travelling with care, supporting local communities, minimising our impact, and unlocking experiences that most travellers will never have.

If you're ready to go further and dig deeper, we invite you to join us on the Ausangate Trek, a journey that captures the essence of a unique adventure.

why travel with World Expeditions?

Our Ausangate trek is fully supported, with pack animals carrying equipment so you only need to walk with a day pack. You are accompanied by expert bilingual guides with wilderness first aid training, supported by established World Expeditions operational systems in Peru. Quality camping equipment, including sleeping gear and solar lighting, ensures comfort in remote environments, while our responsible travel practices prioritise porter welfare and avoid mandatory local cash payments.

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World Expeditions does not require single travellers to pay a surcharge for travelling alone. We will arrange for you to share accommodation with another traveller of the same gender and if we cannot match you up we will provide a single room at no extra charge. If you prefer not to share a single supplement is payable to guarantee your own room. Please refer to our website for the additional cost.

the trip

Trek Peru's Ausangate region on a high-altitude journey through remote Andean landscapes to Rainbow Mountain. This multi-day trek from Cusco crosses mountain passes above 5000m / 16404ft, with views of Ausangate, Peru's highest sacred peak. The route passes glacial lakes, alpine valleys and traditional communities in the Cordillera Vilcanota. Fully supported camping allows you to focus on the trekking experience while travelling through one of Peru's most remote mountain regions. This is a high-altitude trek. You must spend a minimum of two nights at or above 3000m / 9843ft (e.g. Cusco) prior to the start of the trip for proper acclimatisation. Participation is only possible if this requirement has been met.

about your leader/escort

Our guides are bilingual and our treks are conducted in English.

at a glance

DAY 1	JOIN CUSCO, TRANSFER TINKI TO UPIS (4430M / 14534FT, 7.4KM / 4.6MI, 3.5HRS)
DAY 2	TREK UPIS TO AUSANGATECOCHA (4643M / 15233FT, 15.5KM / 9.6MI, 8–9HRS)
DAY 3	TREK AUSANGATECOCHA TO WANU WANU (4592M / 15066FT, 11.3KM / 7MI, 7–8HRS)
DAY 4	TREK WANU WANU TO PACCHANTA (4290M / 14075FT, 17.5KM / 10.9MI, 8HRS)
DAY 5	RETURN TO CUSCO

additional deposits required

This trip requires the prepayment of Machu Picchu entrance fee of US$55 in total (paid in your local currency at the current rate of exchange) which is non-refundable. This payment is required at the time of booking together with our normal per person deposit. The cost of your trip includes the Machu Picchu entrance permit fee, and this prepayment should not be viewed as an additional cost. We recommend you take out travel insurance at the time of booking. It is essential that if you obtain a new passport at a later date that you MUST bring both the OLD & NEW passports, or you will not be allowed to enter the site of Machu Picchu as your entrance permit will be linked to your old passport number. You must also inform World Expeditions that you will be travelling with a new passport and provide the new passport details when received. All travellers must present their original passport or copy of passport page at the entrance of the following archaeological sites in the Cusco region: Sacsaywaman, Quenqo, Puca Pucara, Tambomachay, Pisaq, Maras, Moray and Ollantaytambo. Peruvian authorities have implemented entry restrictions to protect Machu Picchu from the impact of its immense popularity. There are three time slots in which patrons can enter Machu Picchu for a maximum of four hours and must follow one of three predetermined routes. Admission is not allowed after 4pm. Additionally, all visitors must be always accompanied by a guide. These changes have been made to improve the visitor experience and, in an effort, to deal with overcrowding. World Expeditions endeavours to ensure you get the most of your Machu Picchu experience regardless of these restrictions.

what's included

- 4 breakfasts, 5 lunches and 4 dinners
- Expert bilingual local guide with wilderness first aid training
- Use of a kit bag which includes a duffle bag and sleeping mat
- Group camping equipment
- Solar powered lamps in tents
- Private internal transportation
- Filtered drinking water

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trip dates

2026

02 May- 06 May
06 May- 10 May
09 May- 13 May
13 May- 17 May
16 May- 20 May
20 May- 24 May
23 May- 27 May
27 May- 31 May
30 May- 03 Jun
03 Jun - 07 Jun
06 Jun - 10 Jun
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23 Sep - 27 Sep
26 Sep - 30 Sep
30 Sep - 04 Oct
03 Oct - 07 Oct
07 Oct - 11 Oct
10 Oct - 14 Oct
14 Oct - 18 Oct
17 Oct - 21 Oct
21 Oct - 25 Oct
24 Oct - 28 Oct
28 Oct - 01 Nov
31 Oct - 04 Nov

- Group medical kit and portable hyperbaric chamber

Local cash payments are becoming increasingly popular with many operators in the adventure travel industry. The policy seems to benefit the tour operators, more than the local economies or travellers, as it avoids local taxes and transfers the cost and risk of cash handling to travellers. In accordance with our Responsible Travel practices we have chosen a policy not to ask for such payments.

what's not included

- International flights and taxes
- Airport transfers
- Visa fees
- Travel Insurance (compulsory)
- Meals not listed as included
- Personal expenses such as phone calls, laundry, aerated and alcoholic drinks
- Tips and gratuities
- Any items not listed as included

detailed itinerary

DAY 1 Join Cusco, transfer Tinki to Upis (4430m / 14534ft, 7.4km / 4.6mi, 3.5hrs)

Leaving Cusco behind, you travel into the Andean highlands, where traditional Quechua communities continue to live in close connection with the land. At Tinki, your trek begins across open valleys dotted with grazing alpacas, with the snow-covered peak of Ausangate rising steadily into view. The trail climbs gently, allowing time to settle into the rhythm of walking at altitude as the landscape opens into a broad alpine setting. By the time you reach Upis camp (4430m / 14534ft), you are surrounded by high peaks and expansive skies, offering a strong sense of the remoteness that defines this region.

Accommodation: Camping

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meals: L,D

DAY 2 Trek Upis to Ausangatecocha (4643m / 15233ft, 15.5km / 9.6mi, 8–9hrs)

Today the route leads deeper into the Ausangate region, with a steady ascent toward Arapa Pass (4670m / 15322ft). As you gain elevation, views open across remote valleys and glaciated peaks, with the scale of the surrounding mountains becoming more apparent. Beyond the pass, the trail passes a series of glacial lakes, including the striking waters of Pucacocha, where the colours shift with the light and weather. A further climb over Alcatani Pass brings you to Ausangatecocha, where camp is set beneath ice-covered slopes in a high alpine setting.

Accommodation: Camping

meals: B,L,D

DAY 3 Trek Ausangatecocha to Wanu Wanu (4592m / 15066ft, 11.3km / 7mi, 7–8hrs)

This is the most demanding day of the trek, with an early ascent toward Palomani Pass (over 5000m / 16404ft), the highest point of the journey. Reaching the pass, wide views extend across the surrounding Andes, offering a clear sense of the scale and isolation of the region. The descent leads into the Machuraqay Valley, where the landscape gradually softens into rolling terrain. Along the way, you may encounter

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herders tending alpacas, reflecting the traditional livelihoods of the area. Camp at Wanu Wanu (4592m / 15066ft) is set in a quiet valley, well away from established trekking routes.

Accommodation: Camping

meals: B,L,D

DAY 4 Trek Wanu Wanu to Pacchanta (4290m / 14075ft, 17.5km / 10.9mi, 8hrs)

The final day of trekking follows high-altitude plains and glacial headwaters, with a gradual ascent toward Jampa Pass (4950m / 16240ft). From the pass, views extend across surrounding peaks, including Mount Callangate, marking the final high point of the circuit. Descending from the pass, the trail returns toward the village of Pacchanta, completing a full circuit of the Ausangate massif. On arrival, there is time to rest in the nearby hot springs, set against the backdrop of the mountains you have just crossed.

Accommodation: Camping

meals: B,L,D

DAY 5 Return to Cusco

After breakfast, you depart Pacchanta and travel by road back to Cusco. The journey retraces the route through highland landscapes and rural communities. Arriving back in the city, the contrast between the remote mountain environment and Cusco's historic centre marks the end of the trek.

meals: B,L

This itinerary is subject to change with any change in Community regulations as well as Governmental changes and natural circumstances beyond our control.

trip extensions

Salkantay Base Camp to Machu Picchu Trek

suggested extensions

- Cusco and Machu Picchu
- SalKantay Trek & Machu Picchu
- Galapagos Islands Cruise

country information

Peru is located on the Pacific coast of South America, spans over 1.3 million square kilometres and is one of the most culturally and geographically diverse countries in the region. Its population is a rich mix of Indigenous peoples, including the Quechua and Aymara, and those of mixed Indigenous and European descent (mestizo). The capital, Lima, is a vast coastal metropolis and home to more than a third of Peru's population. Founded in 1535, Lima served as the seat of Spanish colonial power in South America for nearly three centuries. Today, it's a dynamic hub where colonial architecture, contemporary culture, and sprawling urban neighbourhoods converge. Geographically, Peru is shaped by three distinct regions: the narrow coastal plain, where the cold Humboldt Current creates one of the world's richest marine ecosystems; the towering Andes mountains, which run north to south and form the backbone of the country; and the Amazon Basin, a vast area of dense rainforest and biodiversity. At an altitude of 3,400m (11,155ft), Cusco was once the capital of the Inca Empire and remains the cultural heart of the Peruvian Andes. The city is renowned for its Inca stonework, Spanish colonial churches and plazas, and vibrant artisan markets. It also serves as the gateway to Machu Picchu, the UNESCO-listed citadel and one of the world's most iconic archaeological sites.

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30 Oct - 03 Nov

important notes

NB: - In order to ensure adequate acclimatisation and as our journey will commence early on day one, it is imperative you arrive in Cusco two nights before the trip commences. We can assist with hotel bookings, ask us for details.

fast facts

Countries Visited:
Peru

Visas:
Please check visa requirements with your reservations consultant*

Vaccinations:
Please consult a travel vaccination specialist for up to date information

Private Groups:
Private group options are available for this trip*

Singles:
A single supplement is available for this trip*

Leader:
Expert local leader

Advice for people with limited mobility
This trip is not suitable for people with limited mobility.

*Ask our staff for more information.

climate

Peru's climate varies widely by region. In the Andes, the dry season runs from May to September, with sunny days and cold nights. Daytime temperatures average 15–20°C (59–68°F), dropping to 0–5°C (32–41°F) at night. The wet season is from October to April, with heaviest rainfall between January and March. Along the coast, including Lima, summers (Dec–Mar) are warm and humid, around 24–30°C (75–86°F), while winters (Jun–Sep) are cooler and overcast. In the Amazon, it's hot and humid year-round, with temperatures between 28–34°C (82–93°F). Expect daily rainfall from November to April, with drier conditions from May to October.

The trekking season in Peru lasts from the end of April (the last month of the wet season) through to mid-October. This is the dry but 'cold' period, with the best mountain views and all passes open. By mid-October the rains have returned and hiking becomes more difficult due to muddy trails and snowed-in passes. Temperatures in the area around Lima?are warm during the day (20-25°C / 68-77°F) and cool at night (5°C / 40°F). In the highlands of Peru where our trek takes place, daytime temperatures will be in the range of 10-20°C (50-68°F) falling as low as -10°C (14°F) at night. It's also possible that we'll get some snow on the higher ground and some of the higher passes.

a typical day

Accommodation:

During the trip you will be accommodated in double tents and high quality sleeping mats and sleeping bags will be provided. It is wilderness camping along the trek with a dining tent, solar powered lamps and horses/mules to load the equipment.

Leaders:

Your main guide will meet you in Cusco and be with you for the remainder of the trip.

Trekking Routine:

Our trekking day starts around 6.00am with a wake-up call and fresh cup of tea brought to your tent. Hot water is available for a light morning wash. Breakfast is served in the dining tent and consists of hot porridge and toast and jam, served with coffee, hot milk and tea. On some days we serve bacon and eggs or pancakes. Before breakfast it's often a good idea for you to pack up your duffle bags, prepare your day packs and take down your tents so that the mule or horse skinners can organise the loading for departure. The mornings hike usually lasts from about 8:00am to 12.30pm allowing plenty of rest and photo stops. Lunch is often picnic type and is prepared by one of the cooks who accompany us during the morning. It consists of salads (vegetables and/or noodles), sometimes soups, salamis, cheese, peanut butter, bread, crackers, tinned meats and fish, topped off by freshly brewed tea and biscuits. After lunch we set off for the afternoon's hike - usually 2 to 3 hours to the camp. On arrival in camp tea and coffee will be served and you are then free to do as you like until dinner time. Served at 6:30 - 7:00pm, dinner consists of three courses - soup or fresh salad, a main course of stews, spaghetti or rice dishes (all prepared with fresh meat and vegetables) followed by dessert, tea/ coffee. Apart from lunch you will also get a "snack pack" made up of chocolates, nuts and fresh fruit. Most of the walking is on fairly well-defined tracks. Most groups like to spread out over the trail, stopping for photographs, resting, and bird-watching or just ambling and taking time out to absorb the lovely surroundings. The only thing we ask you to remember is not to get too far ahead of, or behind the main party, and to keep your guide within view. One of the guides or camp staff almost always walks with the slowest member of the group - so there's no chance of being left behind. In fact almost everyone finds and manages to keep to their own pace. Obviously in the event of very bad weather or adverse conditions, the guide will keep the group as close together as possible. The evenings are often one of the most enjoyable parts of the day. After a relaxing dinner, people like to sit in the dining tent - talking, playing cards or scrabble, reading, chatting or just relaxing (a good idea to bring games, cards and books along). Mules or horses are used

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thoughtful travel

Our World Expeditions adventures are grounded in a deep commitment to regenerative travel, going beyond minimising harm to actively restoring and enriching the places we visit. We partner closely with local communities, ensuring that our trips support cultural preservation, fair livelihoods, and community-led initiatives. Each expedition is designed to protect and regenerate natural ecosystems through low-impact practices, climate action, and education that fosters respect for biodiversity. We prioritise meaningful connections between travellers and place, encouraging a sense of stewardship that lasts well beyond the journey. By embedding sustainability into every layer of our operations, we aim not only to explore the world responsibly but also to leave it healthier, more resilient, and more vibrant for future generations.

trip grading

Moderate

This trip is graded moderate and is suitable for fit and healthy people. On a moderate trek physical activity will generally not exceed eight hours in a day, and altitudes generally not exceeding 5,500 metres. On a moderate adventure the physical activity is sustained and travelers should be comfortable with occasional rough terrain. At any stage of a moderate trek you can expect long steep climbs and descents and a wide range of weather conditions. An example of an average day on moderate trek could include several ascents and descents of 500 metres or more, level ground is rare in the mountains.

*Suggested preparation: To prepare for a moderate trek you should begin training four to five months before your departure. As a guideline, an hour of aerobic exercise three to four times per week would be considered a minimum requirement. The best preparation is bushwalking involving relatively steep ascents and descents in variable weather conditions. If you can manage a couple of valley floor to ridgeline ascents per bushwalk, to transport your baggage but you will need a day-pack to carry the things you'll want during the walking day - rain jacket, warm clothes, water bottle, camera etc.

wilderness camps

Our wilderness campsites function without any permanent infrastructure. These are traditional expedition style camps which are set up when we arrive. These camps consist of a mess tent, kitchen tent, toilet tent and two person tents for sleeping. These sites have been handpicked for their scenic locations and permanent structures are not permitted under the national park rules.

meals during the trek

We provide a full service while on trek. An important aspect of this service are the meals that are prepared for you and we are frequently complimented by returning travellers about the food provided. Ensuring that you stay healthy is one of our highest priorities. Therefore, each of our treks is accompanied by a trained cook as well as kitchen staff who provide you with three hearty meals each day. High levels of hygiene are engaged to ensure that our travellers stay healthy and fit. Our cooking staff has mastered the preparation of a varied and balanced menu and there is always plenty of food for those who may like seconds. Our cooks are trained to provide excellent food for vegetarians and anyone who has a limited diet including those who are lactose or gluten intolerant. Our meal inclusion on your trek is for your benefit and takes all the hassle, expense and worry out of your holiday. Typically, you can expect breakfast to consist of muesli or cereal, eggs, local breads and pancakes and hot drinks. Lunch will generally be vegetables, salads, bread, cheese pasta style dishes, tinned fish and meats and are normally eaten picnic style. Dinner is always three courses and includes soup, seasonal vegetables, meat, rice or pasta and bread with some local specialties also in the mix. Dessert is always served after the main meal each evening followed by hot beverages.

dietary requirements

Provided we are advised in advance of your departure we are able to cater for vegetarian diets and can assist with medically recommended diets (allergies and intolerances). Please ensure you discuss your requirements with us well in advance (at least 1 month prior to your trip) to determine whether we can cater to such dietary requirements on your chosen adventure. Please note that options are likely to be limited in very remote locations or alternatives may be more expensive or unavailable. There may be times when those with special requirements may need to provide their own food. We are unable to guarantee a peanut-free or allergen-free trip, and therefore, we strongly encourage that travellers with life-threatening or severe allergies take all necessary medical precautions to prepare for the possibility of exposure. Passengers must travel with all necessary medications for food allergies and be capable of self-administering these medications.

equipment provided

You will be provided with the following equipment to use (not to keep) during your trip: a duffle bag and down fill jacket, a Thermarest inflating sleeping mat (the type of sleeping mat on the trip may differ, all are good quality). All general camping equipment including 2 man tents and eating utensils will be provided. A dining tent with tables & camp stools and lighting, along with a toilet tent will be erected at each campsite.

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albeit with stops along the way, you will cope with a moderately graded trek. Speed is not important, stamina, confidence and continuity are. Please remember the fitter you are the more you will enjoy your holiday.

adventure travel

By its very nature adventure travel involves an element of the unexpected. In remote and developing countries do not expect standards you are used to at home. Remote areas are sometimes unpredictable and itineraries may be altered. To get the most out of your adventure it is important that you are flexible, positive and eager to take on all the challenges that arise. If you are uncertain about your suitability for this trip we recommend that you speak with your consultant or travel agent.

important note

These trip notes represent the most current information for this itinerary, and may supersede any information on our website, including but not limited to the itinerary and price. The itinerary should be seen as a guide only. This itinerary may change at any time due to inclement weather, forces of nature and other circumstances beyond our control.

accommodation on the trip

Enjoy our fully supported camping experience in quality two person tents with plenty of personal space and storage for your luggage. Our team are on hand to ensure your comfort and safety with a dining tent, separate cooking tent and where appropriate, toilet tent erected.

pre and post tour accommodation

If you would like to extend your stay in Peru we would be more than happy to assist with your pre or post tour arrangements. Please ask your reservations consultant for further details.

what you carry

In your daypack you will need to carry extra warm clothing (depending on the altitude, location and weather), a rainjacket, water bottle, camera gear, valuables and personal items such as sunscreen, lip-eze etc. Horses or mules carry all group gear and your trek pack.

Important note: The kit bag provided for your personal gear, which is carried by the pack animals, should not weigh more than 10kg in total. We supply a duffle bag, a sleeping bag and inflatable sleeping mat. The sleeping bag, weighing approximately 3kg, fits into the duffle bag, leaving around 7kg for additional packing. The inflatable mat is NOT included in the 10kg as it is are carried separately with the camping gear. Please pack carefully.

As of December 2018, single-use plastic bottles and any other single-use plastics (bags, cups, straws, etc) are prohibited in the Historic Sanctuary of Machu Picchu, on the Inca Trail and all other protected natural areas in Peru. This regulation was established by the Ministry of Environment, following the Sustainable Tourism Regulation which aims to conserve these protected natural areas. Please ensure to bring your reusable water bottle on all our Peru trips. Water refill stations have been installed in areas near Machu Picchu and other national parks. Your guide will brief you where you can refill your water bottles with drinking water.

equipment required

Specialist gear required include walking boots and day pack (a comprehensive gear list is provided in the pre-departure information provided on booking).

acute mountain sickness

When we ascend above 2500 metres our bodies have to acclimatise to the decreasing amount of the oxygen available. To allow our bodies to adjust we have structured our treks so that you ascend slowly, allowing acclimatisation to occur. However, during the acclimatisation process, you may experience some of the following symptoms.

- Headache
- Tiredness
- Disturbed sleep
- Loss of appetite/nausea
- Shortness of breath
- Cough
- Palpitation

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• Swelling of the hands and face

Individuals acclimatise at different rates. Your best strategy is to take your time and drink plenty of water. These symptoms may not indicate the onset of A.M.S. and if you experience them it does not necessarily mean that you should not continue. All our group leaders have extensive first aid training and we urge you to communicate with the group leader at all times should you believe you have any symptoms in order that we can effectively monitor your symptoms. The only cure for Acute Mountain Sickness is to descend.

Please note that your group leader has ultimate responsibility and may ask you to descend if symptoms persist.

high altitude travel by vehicle

Travellers sometimes drive or fly to high altitude (above 2000m) and therefore run a risk of altitude illness. This risk increases the faster one ascends and the higher the final altitude gained. The risk is reduced if the night following the ascent (sleeping altitude) is spent at low altitude, ie. If you are travelling by road, cross a high pass and descend to an altitude not more than 300 m from your starting point, the risk of altitude illness is minimized. Gaining height rapidly and staying high definitely risks developing altitude illness and you should be aware of, and watch for, the symptoms (see "Acute Mountain Sickness"). You should also consider the use of acetozolamide (Diamox) as an aid to acclimatization and discuss this with your doctor or leader before departure. Should altitude illness occur the treatment is to descend and/or visit a hospital or clinic where the appropriate oxygen and medications can be administered.

vehicles & safety

During the course of your trip, we will use a variety of vehicles, all of which are fit for purpose and the conditions encountered. It should be noted that laws governing transportation safety may differ from those in your home country and whilst wherever possible, vehicles with seatbelts are provided, on occasion some vehicles may not have seat belts fitted.

visas

A visa is exempt for passport holders from the following countries visiting Peru for short term tourism purposes:

Australia

New Zealand

Canada

United States

United Kingdom

For all other nationalities and longer stays please contact the relevant embassy.

If you are entering Peru from Bolivia, Ecuador, or any land border, please ensure you source a Peruvian entry stamp at the border. Take initiative at the immigration checkpoint, as they may not approach you. Failure to obtain an entry stamp requires applying for an exit or expulsion order at the Immigration Office in Lima. Without this order, air travel out of Peru is not allowed, and it may lead to a 10-year ban on re-entry. Please note however that passports will not receive immigration entry or exit stamps at any international airport in Peru. Instead, entry and exit from the country will be digitally recorded.

Please bear in mind that visas may be required for countries you are visiting en route or transiting through on the way to your destination. It is important that you check the requirements of all countries you will visit. Visa costs and requirements do change regularly so we suggest you check with your travel agent or World Expeditions reservations consultant. It is your responsibility to obtain all necessary visas.

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private groups

The adventures that you see on our website are just a starting point. We operate many of our trips, which means we can be flexible and create an itinerary to suit your interests and dates. Talk to our team, you'll be surprised how much more affordable it can be when you get a group of friends, colleagues, a club – you name it, to travel with you!

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trip availability

We operate small group adventures, which means availability is always worth checking early. Check trip availability online or call our team who might be able to dig a little deeper for you to find what you want, when you want.

Many adventures require services that, if not available at the time you book (like an internal flight or permit) could mean the trip is unavailable. So, book early to avoid missing out on your dream adventure.

how to book

Check trip availability and book your tour online, or call or visit one of our offices. To book a trip, you will need to complete a Booking Form (online or request a PDF) and pay a non-refundable deposit. Please note that when booking our tours to not confirm any additional arrangements until all services related to your tour are confirmed by your dedicated Reservations Consultant.