Salkantay to Machu Picchu Luxury Lodge Trek

Trip Code: SAL

Version:

WALK & TREK	GUIDED GROUP	5 MODERATE



HIGHLIGHTS

- Tackle the beautiful Salkantay Trek whilst staying in luxury mountain lodges
- Rest weary limbs at the end of each day with the lodges' luxury facilities including hot tubs, cosy fireplaces and optional massages.

- Wander past glacial peaks, dramatic valleys and rare wildlife
- Immerse yourself in the magnificent surroundings of the Inca Citadel of Machu Picchu
- Enjoy superior hotels in Cusco and Aguas Calientes

AT A GLANCE

- 6 days trekking
- max. altitude - 4638 metres
- Join at Cusco

ACCOMMODATIONS & MEALS

VIEW DATES, PRICES & BOOK YOUR HOLIDAY HERE

Introduction

Of all the classic trekking routes through the Sacred Valley into Machu Picchu, only one offers unparalleled luxury to the discerning traveller. The Salkantay Trek follows an ancient pre-Inca trade route and passes by the eponymous snow-capped mountain, delivering a wild and remote experience. Salkantay (6271m) is widely considered to be one of the most spectacular of all Andean peaks and with its glaciers stands sentry, high over the mountain passes. With wood-burning stoves and hot tubs with dramatic views, our luxury lodges await the weary trekker at the end of each day. Chefs prepare regionally inspired gourmet meals and there is even the option for a relaxing massage at most of the lodges (at an additional cost). After a hot shower, it is a sublime experience to sink into a comfy bed enveloped by the dark and silence of the mountains. Each lodge features only six ensuite rooms, making this an exclusive and intimate experience. Making full use of these scenically-located lodges, we hike for 6 days through this pristine mountain region, home to rare wildlife and imbued with the Quechua culture. The climate will distinctly change as you move through the 15 different eco-systems, from the cold crisp high-altitude mountain air to the hot, steamy jungle climate. Your reward for tackling the challenging Salkantay trek is the ancient Inca citadel of Machu Picchu. It isn't hard to share the sense of awe that Hiram Bingham must have felt when he discovered the ruins, virtually reclaimed by vegetation, in 1911. The site sits high above the Urubamba valley, surrounded by deep precipices and steep mountains that had protected its secrets so effectively for centuries and mists rise from the valley to add to the sense of beauty and mysticism. This holiday also enjoys a private guided tour of Cusco and the surrounding area and stays in superior hotels in the city.

Unable to join one of KE's advertised departures? Contact us with your preferred dates of travel and we will check availability for you.

Is this holiday for you?

This holiday offers a variety of trekking conditions, from the farmland and coffee plantations of the lower valleys to high and windswept Andean passes. Most of the walking is on well-defined tracks and we are able to relax each night in our superb lodge accommodation. There are a couple of quite tough days - but overall the trekking is straightforward and not sustained. We have allowed a couple of nights in Cusco to allow us to begin the process of acclimatisation, followed by two nights and a potential rest day at the first of the lodges on our route to continue this important process.

Itinerary

Version:

Extensions

When booking your holiday, you will be able to 'add an extension option'. Once we have received your booking we will contact you to discuss additional services required for the extension and to take any additional deposit.



Peru Rainforest Extension - Luxury

Embark on an unforgettable journey to Tambopata National Reserve, a vast, untouched expanse of Amazonian wilderness covering 2.5 million acres.

Posada Amazonas is located in one of the best-preserved forests of Tambopata. Managed with care by the Native Community of Infierno, the ecolodge offers easy access to a rich and vibrant ecosystem where every moment connects you to the true spirit of the Amazon. Covering a total of four days / three nights this extension allows for two full days of immersive jungle walks and scenic river excursions.

A short flight to Puerto Maldonado, the gateway to Tambopata, followed by a scenic one-hour drive and peaceful boat journey along the Tambopata River will transport you deep into the heart of the Amazon. There are no roads leading to the lodge, no neighbors, and no roads breaking the harmony of the forest – access is solely by river, ensuring a truly immersive jungle experience and prime access to breath-taking wildlife viewing opportunities.

From the vibrant macaw clay lick to playful otters, curious monkeys, and a dazzling array of colourful birds, every moment in this ecosystem is a chance to witness nature at its finest. This pristine habitat is also home to the Amazon's five top predators: the elusive jaguar, the giant river otter, the stealthy black caiman, the majestic harpy eagle, and the formidable anaconda.

Beyond the lodge extends a vast corridor of protected rainforest, where the communal reserve seamlessly connects with the Tambopata National Reserve, forming a continuous conservation area of exceptional ecological importance. Owing to this privileged location, Posada Amazonas serves not only as an ecolodge, but also a committed partner in the long-term preservation of the Amazon Rainforest.

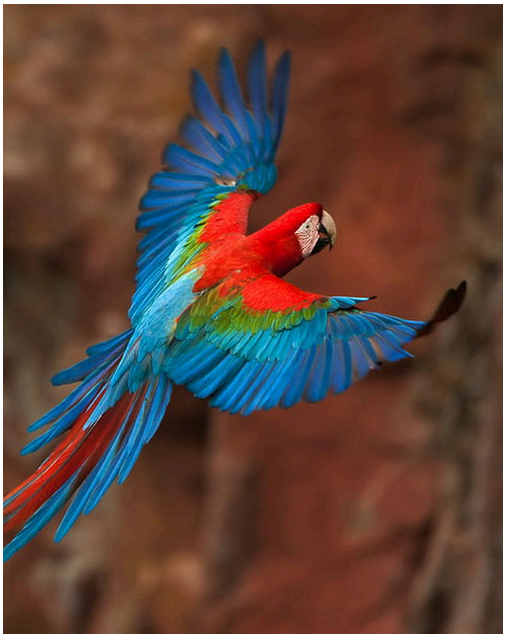
Posada Amazonas Lodge is a spacious ecolodge featuring a bar, massage centre, and buffet service. The spacious rooms include a private bathroom and an open wall facing the forest, allowing you to immerse yourself in nature. Your stay includes three meals daily, tea, coffee, guided excursions and activities, refreshments upon arrival, and

transfers to and from the airport. Guides are assigned at a 10:1 ratio to ensure a personalized experience.

Your extension starts and ends in Puerto Maldonado, with flights connecting from Cusco and Lima. We're happy to assist with internal flights and additional accommodations in Cusco or Lima to enhance your journey.

Immerse yourself in the wonders of the Amazon—adventure awaits!

4 days from
US$1,480 per person



Peru Rainforest Extension - Standard

Hidden in the heart of the Peruvian Amazon, Sandoval Lake in the Tambopata Reserve is one of the rainforest's most spectacular natural treasures.

Surrounded by lush jungle and peaceful waters, the lake offers an unforgettable escape into the Amazon. From the journey through the rainforest from Puerto Maldonado to the first glimpse of the lake itself, every moment is filled with the sights, sounds, and atmosphere of this extraordinary ecosystem.

Renowned for its exceptional biodiversity, Sandoval Lake is a paradise for wildlife lovers and adventure seekers alike. Visitors may spot giant river otters gliding through the water, caimans resting along the shoreline, and a vibrant variety of exotic birds overhead. Exploring the lake by canoe provides an immersive way to experience the rainforest, with opportunities to witness the Amazon's rich wildlife in its natural habitat.

Your rainforest extension includes 3 nights at the comfortable Sandoval Lake Lodge. Perfectly positioned on the lake shore, it is an ideal base to explore the Tambopata Reserve. Blending rustic charm with the surrounding environment, the lodge offers a peaceful retreat after exploring the lake and rainforest trails. All rooms have private bathrooms with hot water 24/7, fans and wifi is available.

The extension starts and ends in Puerto Maldonado, with most flights connecting from Cusco. Flights are also available from Lima. We're happy to assist with internal flights and additional accommodations in Cusco or Lima to enhance your journey.

4 days from
US$1,045 per person



Lake Titicaca by Luxury Train

Travel in style on the luxurious Titicaca scenic train from Cusco to Puno, on the shores of Lake Titicaca.

Enjoy stunning landscapes, lively regional music and dance, and exquisite onboard cuisine. Along the route you'll make a stop at Abra La Raya, the journey's highest point at 4,300m. After an overnight in Puno we travel to the floating 'Totora' reed islands of the Uros people. Here we watch them harvesting and weaving the reeds. Travelling onto Amantani Island we overnight in a traditional village house being hosted by a local families. This gives us a great insight into the livelihood of these pre-Incan people. We return the following day by boat to Puno and then transfer to the nearby airport of Juliaca. This extension starts in Cusco and ends in Juliaca.

Train departures: Every Wednesday, Friday, and Sunday

4 days from
US$860 per person

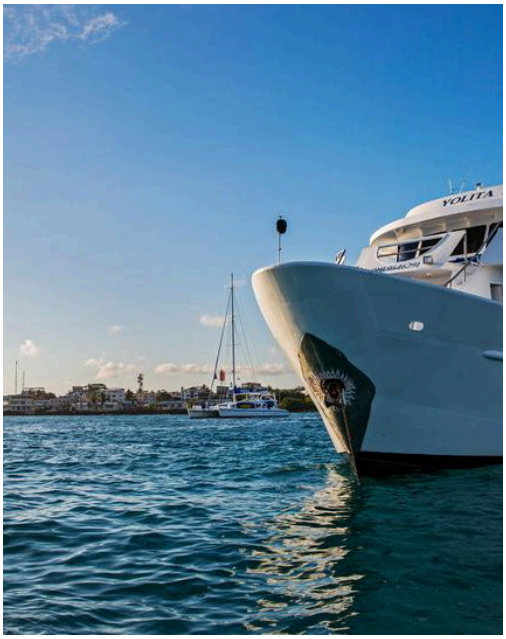


Lake Titicaca by Luxury Bus

Travel by luxury tour bus from Cusco to Puno, across the Peruvian Andes to the shores of Lake Titicaca.

Forming part of the border between Peru and Bolivia, this sacred lake of the Incas at an elevation of 3830 metres was where the god Viracocha rose and created the sun, moon, stars and the first people. It is the largest navigable lake in the world. After an overnight in Puno we travel to the floating 'Totoras' reed islands of the Uros people. Here we watch them harvesting and weaving the reeds. We continue onto Amantani Islands and stay overnight in a traditional village house hosted by local families, giving us a great insight into the livelihood of these pre-Incan people. We return the following day by boat to Puno and then transfer to the nearby airport of Juliaca. This extension starts in Cusco and ends in Juliaca.

4 days from
US$465 per person



Galapagos Islands Cruise

Create the perfect holiday-of-a-lifetime by adding an exploratory cruise of the stunning and unique Galapagos Islands

Needing little in the way of introduction, the Galapagos Islands are one of the most pristine natural environments left on Earth. Over 600 miles separate them from mainland Ecuador, meaning they have enjoyed splendid isolation and provide a habitat for a bewildering array of birds, reptiles, mammals and sea life you simply won't find anywhere else.

We have a variety of ships and itineraries and you can choose from two levels of service - Standard and Upgraded, many of which are more affordable than you may have thought. Itineraries are typically between 7 and 10 days which is the optimum length for visiting this natural paradise. During your cruise you will visit a number of the islands, each distinct and renowned in their own right. Sometimes these will be `dry` landings where you step onto a pier and at others you will make `wet` landings where you reach the island by small inflatable boats and step directly onto the beach. Every boat has a slightly different itinerary but all are focused on seeing as much of the amazing Galapagos wildlife as possible. There is also plenty of time for relaxation and for swimming and snorkelling from the boats. All of our itineraries begin and end in Quito and include the flight out to the islands.

Please contact us for details on availability, itinerary options and pricing. *(Sample itinerary detailed below)*

You might also want to consider our 10 day **Galapagos Islands Adventure,** for a more active and immersive experience of these diverse islands. This shore based trip stays in cosy small hotels and guesthouses, allowing us to experience the beaches and wildlife in the early mornings and evenings when the main tourists have disappeared on their boats. Alternatively, if you are looking for something a more luxurious why not spoil yourself on one of our Galapagos Cruises aboard the luxury Monserrat Motor Yacht.

Book this trip as a stand alone tour or in addition to any of our Latin America holidays.

7 days from
US$3,505 per person

Holiday Information

What's Included

- An experienced English-speaking local leader
- Cusco Airport transfers (on designated group arrival and departure days only)
- All land transport required in the itinerary
- Hotel accommodation in Cusco and Aguas Calientes on twin share basis
- Luxury lodge accommodation during the trek on twin share basis
- Guided sightseeing tour of Cusco
- A guided visit to Machu Picchu
- Meals as described in the Meal Plan

What's not Included

- Travel Insurance
- Cusco Airport departure taxes
- Salkantay Trail fee of $50 payable locally
- Tips for local staff
- Lunches and dinners when in Cusco
- Miscellaneous personal expenses - drinks and souvenirs etc

Joining Arrangements & Transfers

All clients arriving in Cusco on Day 1 and departing Cusco on Day 8 of the trip itinerary will be met by a KE representative and provided with an airport transfer. Land Only clients must forward their flight details to the KE office.

Hotel contact details together with an emergency contact number, will be provided with your booking confirmation.

Meal Plan

When in Cusco, there is a wide range of dining options so it makes sense to allow you to explore these options. Therefore your holiday price does not include meals other than breakfasts when staying in this city. You will pay directly for a total of 2 lunches and 3 dinners (see itinerary for details) and you should allow approximately US$10 - US$25 per meal.

Whilst trekking and staying in lodges and at the hotel in Aguas Calientes, a full service including all meals is provided. Drinks are also included at the lodges.

Special Diets

Whilst we can cater for vegetarians, albeit sometimes with a more limited choice, we cannot always provide for special diets. Due to the nature of some of the trips that we operate and the countries in which we operate them, it can be very hard (and sometimes impossible) to cater for a wide range of dietary choices and you may have to supplement your meals with food/snacks from home. If you have specific dietary requirements please do speak to our sales team and they will be able to advise you whether or not we will be able to offer your specific choice. Please note that we are unable to provide separate menus and cannot accept liability for any problems arising from special dietary requirements or intolerances.

Food & Water

Drinking Water

It is not recommended to drink untreated water from the taps. If you are on a trekking or cycling holiday, water is supplied to fill up your individual bottles. This will be boiled, filtered or provided in large jerry cans or 5 litre bottles. Additionally you should take purification tablets or a filter bottle (such as a Water-To-Go bottle) to treat your water when in towns or where water is not supplied. We do not encourage the purchasing of single use plastic bottles.

There are a huge variety of restaurants in Cusco catering for every budget and palate. If you want to seek out some traditional Peruvian fare you should be sure to sample some Ceviche (the word ceviche comes from the indigenous Quechua word 'siwichi', meaning fresh fish); this healthy, zesty and fresh dish is one of the most popular dishes in Peru. Also worth tasting is Lomo Saltado, a beef and vegetable dish cooked in a wok, which blends both Peruvian and Chinese ingredients. Drink recommendations include Mate de Coca (Coca Tea), a herbal tea made from the dried leaves of the coca plant and said to prevent altitude sickness and, of course, Pisco Sours! No trip to Cusco would be complete without sampling this alcoholic cocktail, which is made by mixing the peruvian liquor, Pisco, with egg white, ice, lime juice and angostura bitters. Throughout the trek, all meals including drinks will provided by the lodges. Prepare to indulge yourself! The lodges all have their own inventive gourmet menus, which will provide a refreshing take on the region's most iconic dishes. All the offerings are locally sourced - from the organic coffee blends to healthy snacks! You will be handed a 'snack-pack' to carry in your day pack with dry fruits, peanuts, chocolates and fresh fruits each day on trek.

Accommodation

Whilst in Cusco we will spend 3 nights at the Andenes boutique hotel (or similar). The Andenes is an charming property located just a stone's throw from the Plaza de Armas, the main square of Cusco.

During our trek we will stay at four beautifully-appointed mountain lodges, which are truly one of a kind. The eco-minded architecture effortlessly mixes traditional Andean building techniques with contemporary design to blend seamlessly into their environs. At each of our intimate 6-room lodges, you will enjoy hot showers, gourmet meals, select wines, fine linens, outdoor hot tubs and highly personalised service from the local staff.

All accommodation is allocated on a twin sharing basis. If you are travelling by yourself you will be paired up with another single client of the same sex. Depending on availability, it may be possible to pre-book single rooms throughout the holiday. For additional hotel prices and single supplement costs please refer to the dates and prices page of the trip on our website.

Group Leader & Support Staff

When in Cusco and during the Salkantay Trail trek the group will be accompanied by professional, English-speaking local tour guides.

Altitude

This holiday involves going to high altitude. During the course of your trip you will reach altitudes in excess of 3500 metres. This is not something that you should worry about; the human body is quite capable of adapting to a very wide range of altitudes, but it is important that we follow some simple rules in order to acclimatise successfully. Before coming on this holiday you should read the advice on trekking at high altitude. You can also talk to one of our trekking experts if you have any concerns about altitude.

Park Fees & Permits

Machu Picchu Permits

If you are booking on one of our trips or an extension that includes a visit to the Machu Picchu Citadel please note the following.

It is important that you BOOK AS EARLY as possible in order to secure a permit. Daily visitor numbers are limited and visitors must be accompanied by a guide.

There are five designated 'circuits' that are walked in a one-way direction, with a maximum of 4 hours allowed within the site. A ticket, issued by the Peru Ministry of Culture, and included in your trip cost, needs to be purchased in advance of your visit. The ticket will stipulate an entry time and one of the 5 circuits. KE will aim to book the most comprehensive Machu Picchu tour available.

Depending on availability you may be able to purchase additional circuits for your visit to Machu Picchu, including Huayna Picchu or Machu Picchu Mountain. Please contact us to check options available if you are interested in extending your visit. Find out more about Machu Picchu Circuits

Tickets are linked to your name and passport number and usually sell out at 4 to 6 months in advance. **It is therefore important for you to supply us with your passport details at the time of booking to allow us to secure the required tickets**.

IMPORTANT: If you change passport between booking and travelling, you must bring your old passport with you, as your ticket will be linked to the passport details you booked with.

There is a charge of US$50 for entrance to the Salkantay Trail. This is payable locally.

Spending Money

We estimate that $350 will be sufficient to cover your requirements including the above mentioned meals, the $50 Salkantay Trail fee, as well as expenses such as tips for drivers, trek crew and local guides. Soft drinks, wine and beer are available every night and if you intend to partake you should budget accordingly. There is no need to purchase local currency (Peruvian Soles) prior to travelling. It is possible to withdraw your money in local currency from ATMs in Cusco. If you are bringing your travel money with you we recommend you bring it in the form of US dollars in cash as this provides for the easiest exchange and in emergency can even be used to purchase goods. Credit cards can be used to purchase goods and to pay for meals in Cusco.

Guidance on Tipping

Tipping is common in Peru, however you must remember that it is voluntary, and how much you give depends on how you feel about the service you have received. Airport baggage carriers are the only exception and tipping is compulsory. These people are unwaged and make a living by carrying your luggage. The general rule is 1 or 2 soles per bag. For hotel staff, tipping is not expected, but is welcome. For hotel porters 1 or 2 soles per bag is reasonable. Drivers of standard taxis do not usually expect a tip. As with most countries, it is usual to tip in restaurants and 10% is expected for good service.

Whilst on the trek, gratuities are included in the cost for all lodge and logistical personnel except for guides/assistant guides. We generally suggest a gratuity of $5-10/per day, per guide, but we leave this to your discretion.

Additional Information

Single traveller - possible additional cost

This holiday is priced on a 2-person-sharing basis. If you are travelling by yourself and do not request single room occupancy, we will make every effort to pair you up with another single traveller of the same sex. If this proves not to be possible, you will be liable for an additional single traveller payment.

Baggage Allowance

For this holiday we recommend packing your belongings in a mid-sized soft duffle bag for the duration of the trip. You will only need a day-pack during the hikes and your duffel will meet you upon arrival at each lodge. Please be aware that the train to Machu Picchu imposes a baggage weight limit of 8kg/18lbs per person. Duffel bags are available on loan; please request one at the pre-trip briefing in Cusco if you think that your luggage will exceed this weight. Extra luggage can be stored safely at your hotel in Cusco.

Please note that baggage allowance on internal flights in Peru is 20kgs and that this limit is usually strictly enforced. For international flights please check your baggage allowance with your airline.

Group Size & Holiday Status

For each holiday there is a minimum number of participants required to enable it to go ahead. Once the minimum number is reached, the trip status will change from 'Available' to 'Guaranteed to run'. You can check the trip status for each departure in the ‘Dates and Prices’ table. Other than in exceptional circumstances, we will not cancel a trip once it has achieved this guaranteed to run status so you are free to proceed with your international flight booking and other travel arrangements.

Group Members

This trip is operated by one of our international partners. Working in conjunction with them allows us to gather together sufficient numbers of like- minded adventurers to get the holiday up and running quickly. This is particularly important with the Inca Trail as permits sell out very quickly. Although KE groups on this trip are exclusively adult, on rare occasions our partner may accept bookings from families with older children.

General Information

Passport & Visas

The information that we provide is for UK passport holders.

A passport with 6 months remaining validity at the end of your stay is generally required**,** and you should have at least 2 blank pages for each country that you visit.

For other nationalities, please refer to your own Government website for the latest information.

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have the correct travel documents including vaccinations and health certificates *(see Health & Vaccinations below),* **and visas for your holiday.** Please ensure that you check the FCDO for the latest advice for **each country visited** before travel.

Visa Peru

UK and USA passport holders do not require a visa for short stays. When passing through immigration you will need to request a copy of your TAM Migration form. You will need to retain this document and keep it safe, as you will be asked to produce it before you depart Peru. Please note that a paper copy of travel insurance is required for people travelling to Huaraz and the Huayhuash region.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THOSE TRANSITING THROUGH THE USA

If your flights pass through the USA, even if only in transit, you will require either a visa or an ESTA (Electronic System for Travel Authorisation). Citizens of the UK, New Zealand, Australia, Canada and passport holders from several EU countries can apply for an ESTA under certain conditions*. This must be done online via https://esta.cbp.dhs.gov, no later than 72 hours prior to travel and applies whether entering the country by sea or by air. You will need to have a biometric passport to apply for an ESTA. The fee is currently US$40 *(as of 30/09/25).* Travellers who have not registered before their trip are likely be refused boarding.

*If you have visited Iran, Iraq, Libya, North Korea, Somalia, Sudan, Syria and Yemen since 2011 or have dual nationality with any of these countries, you cannot travel with an ESTA. You will need to apply for a visa from the nearest US Embassy or Consulate instead. Additionally, if you have travelled to or have been in Cuba since the 12th of January 2021, you will not be eligible for an ESTA visa waiver and will need to apply for a US visa. You should consult the US State Department website to determine which you will need.

When completing the ESTA application form you will be asked to enter your 'Point of Contact' information. This is not required if you are only transiting through the USA.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THOSE TRANSITING THROUGH CANADA

UK citizens will require an ETA (Electronic Travel Authorisation), and you must get this before boarding any Canada-bound aircraft or ship, or entering on a land border. The fee is CAD$7 and you should apply for it at http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/eta-start.asp. Other nationalities should consult their local embassy or consular office

Entry requirements can change regularly so please ensure you have the most up to date information before travelling by checking visa entry requirements at the relevant embassy in your country of residence: (US Embassy in London: http://london.usembassy.gov/niv/apply.html)

Health & Vaccinations

Vaccinations:

You should be up to date with the routine vaccinations recommended in the UK for overseas travel.

You must also contact your doctor or travel clinic to check if there are specific vaccinations or other preventive measures that you need for the area you are visiting, in good time before you are due to depart.

Please ensure you are looking at the recommendations for all countries visited on your holiday plus recommendations for any borders you cross.

On holidays to more remote areas you should also have a dental check-up.

It is your responsibility to ensure that you have the correct travel documents including vaccinations and health certificates.

Please check the FCDO and Travel Health Pro. For all of your intended destinations for up-to-date advice.

Severe Allergies:

If you have a severe allergy please inform the KE office before you travel. We will do all we can to help, but we cannot guarantee an allergy free environment on KE trips.

Preparing for your Holiday

It makes a lot of sense to undertake some additional exercise before coming on a trekking trip. The fitter you are, after all, the more enjoyable you will find the experience. Our treks can be physically demanding, but more as a result of altitude and terrain than distances walked. You should gradually increase your exercise leading up to departure and in the month before setting off, we suggest that you try to fit in a number of long walks in hilly country.

Climate

The climate of Peru is very varied across different regions. There are three major influences on the climate of any particular region, these being: its general geographical position as part of equatorial South America, its proximity to the cooling effect of the Humbolt current and most significantly, its altitude. The climate of the Andean valleys which corresponds to the region between 3000 and 4000 metres is characterised by hot wet summers and cool dry winters. The Southern Hemisphere winter season in the Andes runs roughly from April through to October and this is the optimum period for trekking in this part of Peru. At this time we can expect the days to be warm and generally sunny, with temperatures between 12 and 20°C. Above 3500 metres, during this season, the night-time temperatures will fall below freezing. At our highest locations the outside night-time temperatures may drop as low as minus 5°C at any time and in mid-winter (July and August) temperatures may dip to minus 10°C overnight.

Travel Aware

As a reputable tour operator, KE supports the British Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office's **'Travel Aware'** campaign to enable British citizens to prepare for their journeys overseas. The 'Travel Aware' website provides a single, authoritative source of advice for all kinds of travellers and we recommend that before travel, all KE clients visit the official UK Government website at travelaware.campaign.gov.uk and read the FCDO Travel Advice for their chosen destination. All other nationalities should check their government websites for relevant information.

KE treat the safety and security of all clients as the most important aspect of any trip we organise. We would not run any trip that we did not consider reasonably safe. Should the FCDO advise against travel for any reason, we will contact everyone booked to travel to discuss the situation. We receive regular updates directly from the FCDO and are in constant touch with our contacts on the ground. If you have any questions about government travel advice, please call our office.

Single Use Plastic

KE do not encourage the use of single use plastic items. We are ensuring that our agents all over the world are working together to reduce the problem and educate those around them. We are leading by example in our KE office by reducing our plastic use.

Books

- Lost City of the Incas. Hiram Bingham
- Exploring Cusco. Peter Frost
- Inca Kola. Matthew Paris
- Inca Gold. Clive Cussler
- Field guide to the birds of Machu Picchu. Walker
- The last days of the Incas. Kim MacQuarrie
- Conquest of the Incas. John Hemmingway
- Into the forests of the night. John Simpson
- Realm of the Incas. Max Milligan

Maps

Peru: 100K Topographical Survey Maps IGN (Peru Survey). 1:100.000

Peruvian Survey mapping, by the Instituto Geografico Nacional, is of very high quality and at a good scale for following the route on the ground. Contours are given at 50 metre intervals and spot heights are also shown. The legend includes settlements, roads, etc, plus a great deal of terrain and vegetation detail.

Private Groups Information

Make this KE Adventure holiday your own!

- Do our normal group departure dates not fit?
- Would you prefer to travel with just friends and/or family?
- Are you looking to organise a trip for your local walking, biking or mountaineering club?

It's really easy to make a trip your own. Simply select from our full range of adventure holidays and choose the dates that work for you and your group.

We are experts in creating holidays for groups of friends, families, charities and clubs. Our personal service means you'll be fully involved as we make the arrangements for your perfect adventure holiday.

Independence with Security

Travelling as a KE Private Group allows you more flexibility and choice, but still with the peace of mind that everything is pre-planned and arranged for your group by a reputable adventure travel company.

To take your first step to an amazing adventure with your friends and family complete the private group enquiry form, or call our **Sales Experts on: 017687 73966**

Travel Insurance

It is an essential condition of joining a holiday with KE Adventure Travel that you have a valid travel insurance policy to cover the cost of medical treatment and to protect the value of your holiday in the event of cancellation. When taking out insurance please ensure the policy you choose covers you for the activities and altitude included in your itinerary.

For appropriate insurance cover we recommend Campbell Irvine Direct. Please go to our Travel Insurance page for further information and to get a quote.

Equipment Information

Equipment List

The following checklist should help you with your packing. As a general rule, you should always try to keep the weight of your equipment to a minimum.

You must bring the following items:

- Hiking boots
- Trainers / sandals
- Socks
- Walking socks (2 or 3 pairs)
- Trekking trousers
- Travel clothes
- Waterproof over-trousers
- Waterproof jacket
- Underwear
- Thermal baselayer shirts (2 short sleeve, 2 long sleeve)
- Casual shirts and/or T-shirts
- Fleece jacket or warm jumper
- Warm jacket (down)
- Lightweight thermal gloves
- Warm gloves
- Warm hat

- Daypack 30 litres
- Headtorch with spare batteries
- Sun protection (including total bloc for lips, nose etc)
- Water bottles 1 Litre (x 2) (we encourage re-filling water bottles rather than single use plastic)
- Water purification tablets
- Washbag and toiletries
- Small towel
- Sunhat
- Sunglasses
- Swimwear
- Basic First Aid Kit. Including: antiseptic cream, throat lozenges, diarrhoea treatment (Imodium), painkillers, plasters and blister treatment, Insect repellent, and re-hydration salts (Dioralite).

The following items are optional:

- Trekking poles (strongly recommended)
- Antibacterial handwash
- Pen-knife (note: always pack sharp objects in hold baggage)
- Small padlock
- Camera
- Reusable cloth bag for shopping (to avoid plastic bags)

Land Only Information

The LAND ONLY dates and prices are for the itinerary joining in Cusco, Peru. For clients making their own flight arrangements, Cusco Airport is the most convenient for transfers to the group hotel. Please refer to the 'Joining Arrangements and Transfers' for further details.

Flights SHOULD NOT be booked until you have received your booking confirmation and the departure is showing 'Guaranteed to Run' or 'Limited'.

Flight Inclusive Information

The FLIGHT INCLUSIVE dates and prices are based on UK flights from London to Cusco with Iberia/ LATAM. Outbound flights will depart the UK in the evening, arriving the following day (day 1 of the itinerary). Return flights will usually depart Cusco airport in the morning of the last day of the itinerary, arriving in the UK in the afternoon of the following day. Regional departures and/or alternative carriers are available on request.

Please be aware that there are often only a limited number of seats available at the advertised price. To avoid paying flight supplements, we recommend that you book as early as possible, especially during peak times. If we are unable to secure seats at the price shown, or you have requested regional departures, we will contact you with an alternative quote. Please note that you may be asked to pay for your flights in advance of your final holiday balance. Note that if you book a package including flights with KE you will benefit from full financial protection.

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