Machu Picchu 2 Days by Train

an afternoon by the river and the citadel in morning light

DURATION	DIFFICULTY	MAX. ALTITUDE	BEST SEASON
2 days / 1 night	Easy	2,430 m	All year

This is the program we recommend to anyone who wants to experience Machu Picchu calmly. Instead of going there and back in a single day, you take the train to Aguas Calientes, spend the afternoon in town at your own pace and sleep at the foot of the mountain. The next morning you ride one of the first buses up and enter the citadel early, when crowds are thinner and the mist is starting to lift. On day one we pick you up in Cusco, take you to Ollantaytambo station and you ride the train through the Urubamba canyon. In the afternoon you can unwind in the hot springs, visit the site museum or browse the market. On day two you explore Machu Picchu with a professional guide, enjoy some free time and return by train in the afternoon. It is the most comfortable option for families, older travelers and anyone who wants to add Huayna Picchu or Machu Picchu Mountain. We take care of the train…

01 Cusco — Ollantaytambo — Aguas Calientes

Transfer to Ollantaytambo and train through the Urubamba canyon to Aguas Calientes. Free afternoon for the hot springs, site museum or market, and overnight in a hotel.

1.5–2 h train · night at 2,040 m

02 Machu Picchu — Aguas Calientes — Cusco

Early bus to Machu Picchu and a guided visit of about 2 to 2.5 hours. Free time, lunch in town, return train to Ollantaytambo and transfer to Cusco.

2–2.5 h visit · 2,430 m

WHAT IS INCLUDED

- Pickup at your Cusco hotel and transfer to Ollantaytambo station
- Tourist-class train ticket Ollantaytambo – Aguas Calientes
- Welcome at Aguas Calientes station and walk to your hotel
- 1 night in a hotel in Aguas Calientes with private bathroom
- Meals as listed in the itinerary (1B)
- Round-trip bus Aguas Calientes – Machu Picchu
- Machu Picchu entrance ticket (circuit based on official availability)
- Professional guide at the citadel, 2–2.5 hours (Circuits 2A and 2B)
- Return train ticket Aguas Calientes – Ollantaytambo
- Transfer from Ollantaytambo to your Cusco hotel

NOT INCLUDED

- Lunches and dinners
- Hot springs and site museum entrance fees
- Huayna Picchu or Machu Picchu Mountain climb (supplement)
- Guide for Circuits 1 and 3 (optional private service)
- Tips, drinks and personal expenses

• Travel insurance

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