Salkantay Pass & Humantay Lake 2 Days

a night under the stars at the foot of the glacier

DURATION	DIFFICULTY	MAX. ALTITUDE	BEST SEASON
2 days / 1 night	Challenging	4,630 m	Apr — Nov

This two-day getaway brings together the best of Salkantay's high country without continuing on to Machu Picchu. On day one you hike to Humantay Lake, a turquoise pool at 4,200 m, and sleep at a camp at 4,000 m in a glass-roofed igloo cabin with views of the stars and the glacier. On day two you cross Salkantay Pass at 4,630 m (15,190 ft) and head back to Cusco in the afternoon. It's ideal if you've already seen Machu Picchu or want an intense but short high-mountain experience. Our team takes care of transport, meals and the horses that carry your gear, and a warm sleeping bag is waiting for you at camp. One thing to keep in mind: you hike and sleep at high altitude from day one, so plan a few days in Cusco to acclimatize first.

01 Cusco — Mollepata — Soraypampa — Humantay Lake — Camp

Early drive to Soraypampa, hike to Humantay Lake (4,200 m) and descend to the igloo camp at 4,000 m for a free afternoon facing the glacier.

~ 8 km · 4–5 h · 4,200 m

02 Camp — Salkantay Pass — Soraypampa — Cusco

Pre-dawn climb to Salkantay Pass (4,630 m), an offering to the mountain, descent to Soraypampa and the drive back to Cusco with lunch in Mollepata.

~ 12 km · 6–7 h · 4,630 m

WHAT IS INCLUDED

- Pickup in Cusco and round-trip tourist transport by minibus
- Professional bilingual guide (English and Spanish)
- Cook and meals listed in the itinerary (2B, 2L, 1D)
- Morning coca tea
- One night in a glass igloo with mattress, pillow and sleeping pad
- Warm sleeping bag for the night at camp
- Horses or mules for gear and up to 7 kg of personal luggage
- Guided visit to Humantay Lake and Andean offering at Salkantay Pass

NOT INCLUDED

- Humantay Lake entrance (about 20 soles, cash; subject to change)
- Trekking poles (available to rent)
- Snacks and drinks beyond the included meals
- Personal expenses
- Travel insurance (strongly recommended)
- Tips

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