

PALLAY PUNCHU RAINBOW MOUNTAIN

Full Day Tour



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GROUP
TOUR



Where the Andes Unfold in Living Color



The Pallay Punchu Full Day Tour from Cusco takes you to one of the newest and most unique colorful mountain landscapes in the southern Andes. Unlike the classic Rainbow Mountain routes, Pallay Punchu feels quieter, more remote, and more like a true discovery.

Located near Langui Lagoon in the rural Canas area, this mountain is known for its sharp folded ridges and natural colors that look like an Andean textile made of stone. The hike is short, but the altitude makes it important to walk slowly and follow your guide's pace.

TreXperience operates this tour in small groups with comfortable transportation, expert local guides, breakfast, lunch, safety support, and responsible local logistics. It is a great option for travelers who want a different Rainbow Mountain-style experience with fewer crowds and strong photo opportunities.



Why hike to Pallas Punchu Rainbow Mountain?

- Discover a quieter alternative to Rainbow Mountain with fewer crowds and a more remote atmosphere.
- Admire sharp folded ridges and mineral colors that resemble an Andean textile carved in stone.
- Enjoy panoramic views of Langui Lagoon and the surrounding southern Cusco highlands.
- Hike for approximately 1 to 2 hours at a steady pace with support from your guide.
- Travel in a small group with a calmer rhythm, personalized attention, and better assistance.
- Enjoy a comfortable full-day tour with transportation, guide, breakfast, lunch, and continuous support.





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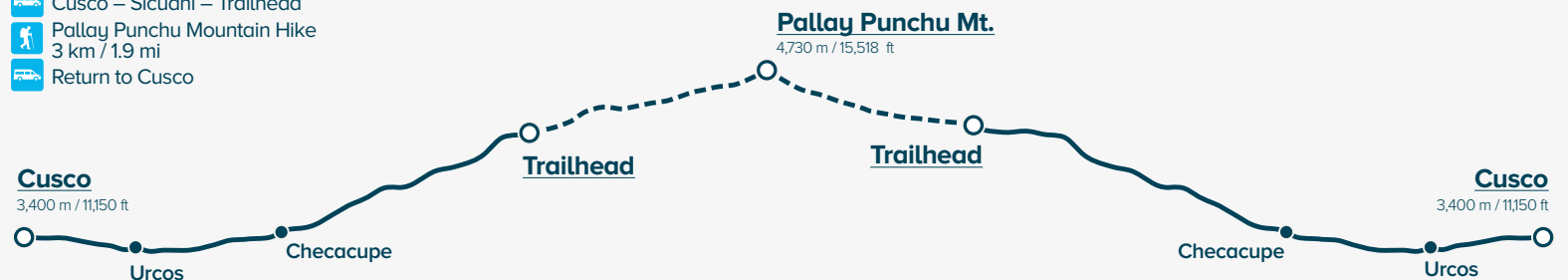
 Rainbow Mountain

 Viewpoint



One Day Itinerary

-  Cusco – Sicuani – Trailhead
-  Pallay Punchu Mountain Hike
3 km / 1.9 mi
-  Return to Cusco





Tour Details

Starts / Ends	Cusco / Cusco
Duration	Full day
Distance	3 km / 1.9 mi
Difficulty	Moderate
Group size	Around 12 persons
Activities	Hiking
Meals	Breakfast & Lunch
Languages	English, Spanish



Full Itinerary

Cusco – Layo/Langui Lagoon – Pallay Punchu Rainbow Mountain – Return to Cusco

Early morning pickup and drive into rural Canas

We will pick you up from your hotel in Cusco around 4:00 a.m. It is an early start, but it gives us calmer roads, better morning light, and more time to enjoy the route without rushing. As we drive south, you will see a different side of Cusco: quiet villages, open high plains, and wide Andean landscapes far from the main tourist corridor.

Rest stop on the way

Depending on the day and road conditions, we will make a short stop for restrooms and to stretch your legs. Facilities can be simple in rural areas, so bringing small cash in Peruvian soles is useful.

Breakfast and simple altitude briefing

Before the hike, we stop for breakfast. Your guide will





explain the plan, trail conditions, and the best way to walk at altitude. The hike is not long, but the viewpoint is high, so we focus on small steps, relaxed breathing, and steady pacing.

Arrival near the trailhead and final preparation

Near the start of the hike, we take a few minutes to prepare: adjust layers, apply sunscreen, fill water bottles, and get cameras ready. Your guide will keep the group moving at a comfortable rhythm, with breaks before anyone feels pushed.

Hike to the Pallay Punchu viewpoint

We begin the hike on a trail that climbs steadily toward the ridge. As you gain elevation, the famous folded shape of Pallay Punchu starts to appear, with sharp angles, layered colors, and patterns that look like a woven poncho spread across the mountain.

This is not a race. We walk slowly and steadily, with time for photos, water, and short breaks. Most travelers hike about 1 to 2 hours total, depending on trail conditions, weather, and group pace.

Viewpoint time: photos, lagoon views, and mountain textures

At the top, the reward is immediate: a dramatic ridgeline with strong rock textures, plus wide views over Langui Lagoon and the surrounding Andes. It can be windy and cold at the ridge, so warm layers matter. Your guide will help you find the best and safest places for photos, especially if the ground is loose.

Walk back down and drive to lunch

After enjoying the viewpoint, we hike back down the same way. The descent is usually quicker, but we still take care on uneven sections. Then we drive to a lunch stop for a warm meal and a well-earned break.

Return to Cusco

After lunch, we begin the drive back to Cusco. Arrival is usually late afternoon to early evening, depending on traffic and road conditions. We will drop you off at your hotel, or at a nearby central point if your street is not accessible by vehicle.





Pallas Puncu Rainbow Mountain



Included

- Hotel pickup and drop-off in Cusco's historic center.
- Round-trip transportation for the full day.
- Entrance fee.
- Trekking poles.
- Professional guide in English and Spanish.
- Breakfast and lunch.
- First-aid kit and oxygen tank.

Not included

- Horse support, available locally when possible.
- Travel insurance, highly recommended.



Travel Essentials

This section covers the basics you'll want for a smooth start. Think documentation, personal needs, and simple preparation for the trail. Pack only what truly supports comfort and safety, and avoid adding weight you won't use.



Original Passport



Peruvian
soles cash



Good-quality daypack



Water bottle



Personal
Medication



Sunscreen



Hand sanitizer

What to wear

Trekking days can bring sun, wind, rain, and noticeable temperature shifts. That's why dressing in layers and choosing comfortable hiking clothing matters. The goal is to adjust easily as conditions change, staying dry and warm when needed.



Walking shoes



Hiking pants/
trousers



Fleece



Waterproof and windproof jacket

What to put in the Daypack?

Your daypack should hold only what you'll use while hiking. Focus on hydration, weather protection, and personal items you want within reach. Keep it light and easy to access, so you can walk comfortably without stopping to dig for things.



Sun hat or cap with neck cover



Sunglasses



Buff or bandana



Snacks



Camera + extra batteries



Power bank

Our team

Our on-trail team helps make your journey safe, comfortable, enriching, and unforgettable. They're highly trained local professionals, committed to delivering attentive service and a smooth experience from start to finish.



Our Tour Guides

Our guides are professionals from Cusco deeply passionate about their cultural heritage. With academic training and genuine warmth, they are not only experts in history and nature but also storytellers of Andean culture, traditions, and daily life. Thanks to their knowledge, dedication, and kindness, every step of your journey will become a unique, meaningful, and enriching experience.

Our drivers

They are the ones who welcome you at the start of the adventure and accompany you on every transfer with safety and punctuality. With experience on Andean roads and total commitment, our drivers ensure your trip begins and ends with peace of mind and confidence.



Our Awards

Our agency has been honored with prestigious international awards that highlight the quality of our service, our commitment to sustainability, and our dedication to providing authentic experiences.



El Inka Dorado Award
2023 to 2026



Best of the Best
Tripadvisor
2022 to 2026



Peru Quality Award
2023 to 2026



Empresa Peruana del año
2026



Premios LuxLife
2025



LTG Global Awards
2025



Travel & Hospitality Awards
2025



Internacional Travel Awards
2025





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