

# “Huchuy Qosqo Trek”

**Full Day**



**PRICES PER PERSON:**

<i>Group size</i>	<i>From 2 to more people</i>
<b>Price</b>	<b>USD 139.00</b>



## **OVERVIEW AND HIGHLIGHTS:**

This is a fantastic and challenging full-day trek in the vicinity of Cusco. This is a perfect complement to traditional sightseeing tours as it allows travelers to enjoy the beautiful mountain scenery that surrounds Cusco and amazing views of the Sacred Valley of the Incas.

The site received its name in the 20th century; previously it had been known as Kakya Qawani. Pedro Cieza de Leon, in his Second Chronicle of Peru, stated that the palaces were built by Viracocha, the eighth Inca ruler. Among a large number of buildings, some of stone, some of adobe, is a kallanka (great hall) 40 m long. The water supply is an Inca built irrigation canal, filled with stones about 800 meters.

## **ITINERARY:**

### **DAY 01: CUSCO – HUCHUY QOSQO - CUSCO**

Pick up from your hotel at 7am and transfer to Chinchero and then to Tauca community, that is the starting point of your trek. You will start hiking uphill surrounded by beautiful mountains, with the presence of llamas, alpacas, and lovely views of the Piuray Lagoon until you reach the only mountain pass at 4500m/14760ft. You will then descend along a restored Inca Trail for approximately 01 hour towards the small Andean community of Pukamarca (4010m/13153ft). From there, you will walk downhill towards the Leon Punku ravine, where you will find remains of an Inca bridge and trail. This canyon boasts geological formations surrounded by majestic rocks and boulders that direct the river to Huchuy Qosqo at 3600m/11808ft. You will arrive there by early afternoon.

Huchuy Qosqo is an Inca archaeological complex with imposing architecture that includes a large open ceremonial center, from which you will enjoy a panoramic view of the Sacred Valley, the Vilcanota River, and the snowcapped mountain range of the same name.

While in the complex, you will receive a guided tour, after which you will continue your way to Lamay at 3000m/9840ft. Lamay is a town dedicated to agriculture and cattle raising. Later in the afternoon, you will be transferred and return to your hotel in Cusco at 7pm approximately.

- **Meals:** Lunch
- **Night:** Not included
- **Total distance:** 13 km (8,08 miles).
- **Estimated walking time** 6-7 hours.
- **Minimum elevation:** 4050mt/ 13287ft.
- **Maximum Elevation:** 4200mt/13780ft.
- **Level:** Moderate to Difficult.

### WHAT IS INCLUDED

- Professional Bilingual English-speaking tour guide
- Pre-Departure Briefing at your hotel 1 or 2 days before your trek
- Pick up from your hotel and transportation to the beginning of the trek
- Return transportation to your Cusco hotel
- Lunch at a Local restaurant
- Entrance ticket to Huchuy Qosqo
- Emergency oxygen bottle and medical kit

### WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED

- Personal Snacks and Water
- Tips - Gratuities
- Travel Insurance

### WHAT TO BRING AND ADVICES

- You can acclimate for the altitude in one or two days this will depend on how your body react; you can take some personal medication.
- In case you need to pay the remaining balance, it is advisable to take some cash. You can get some money from the ATM machine that are located in the centre of the City of Cusco.
- Rain poncho, rain jacket, proper hiking boots.
- Proper warm clothes, at that altitude is quite cold and windy a bandana will be helpful.
- Sun Glasses.
- Sun block. The sun is really strong You will need to protect your head (with a hat) and skin.
- Extra snacks always recommended.
- A bottle of water.
- Travel insurance this from your site, always recommended.

