

IN-HOUSE EXCURSIONS

NATURE WALK

Walk along the hotel's trails, and discover the fascinating yet fragile ecosystem of the Machu Picchu cloud forest, and learn about its many indigenous plants and animals. The Nature Walk offers guests a glimpse of cloud forest flora: ferns, bromeliads and orchids and fauna -an interesting variety of birds; as well as an introduction to the Vilcanota river system, the Observatory, the tea garden and house.

DURATION ¼ Day - DIFFICULTY LEVEL I

SCHEDULE Morning and Afternoon - FREQUENCY Daily

ATTRACTIONS Tea, Birds, Medicinal Plants, Butterflies and Insects

RECOMMENDED FOR CHILDREN

TWILIGHT WALK

This early evening walk is designed to connect on a spiritual level with the environment and the historical energy of the Machu Picchu area. With special attention placed on nature's core elements like an enchanting waterfall, also sacred pre-Inca pictographs, and then the walk pauses at the Rocotal Observatory.

DURATION ¼ Day - DIFFICULTY LEVEL II

SCHEDULE Afternoon - FREQUENCY Daily

ATTRACTIONS Medicinal Plants, Astronomy

ORCHID TRAIL

Walk through the orchid garden to observe some of the hotel's 372 different native orchid species in their natural habitat, a world record according to the American Orchid Society. Discover this extraordinary plant family, which has captured the human imagination for centuries. From the largest orchid flower in the world – the *Phragmipedium caudatum*, to tiny flowering specimens properly appreciated only through a magnifying glass, there are orchids to amaze both the newly inquisitive and the expert, including species new to science which have been discovered on the hotel grounds.

DURATION ¼ Day - DIFFICULTY LEVEL I

SCHEDULE Morning and Afternoon - FREQUENCY Daily

ATTRACTIONS Orchids and Photos

BIRDS

Walk early in the morning to take advantage of the optimum time for cloud-forest bird watching. Begin at a river observatory, with the possibility of sighting the sought-after torrent duck and the white-capped dipper. Then proceed to a productive tanager feeding area, where silver-beaked, blue-necked, fawn-breasted and saffron-crowned tanagers can be found. Along the hotel's pathways, be on the lookout for the cock-of-the-rock, the golden-headed quetzal and many of the 18 different hummingbirds identified on the grounds, including the booted racket-tail and the green-and-white hummingbirds, which are native to the area.

DURATION ¼ Day - DIFFICULTY LEVEL I

SCHEDULE Morning and Afternoon - FREQUENCY Daily

ATTRACTIONS Birds and Photos.



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TEA HOUSE

Visit our organic tea plantation (*Camellia sinensis*) and artisanal Tea House where you'll discover the wonders of the traditional tea making process. Take part as the freshly picked leaves are pressed over wooden blocks and then you may seal your own tea bag. At the end of this experience you may delight yourself with our homemade tea at the lobby.

DURATION ¼ Day - DIFFICULTY LEVEL I - SCHEDULE Morning and Afternoon - FREQUENCY Daily

ATTRACTIONS Tea, Medicinal Plants and Photos

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ADDITIONAL EXCURSIONS

MACHU PICCHU
Take a 30-minute bus transfer to the Historical Reserve of Machu Picchu. Your expert guide will lead a tour of the Reserve, providing geological and historical information on key areas of interest, including Intihuatana (the Sun Dial), the Sacred Plaza and the Temple of the Sun. This is an opportunity to revel in the energy and atmosphere of one of the most significant and spectacular archaeological sites on the planet, surrounded by snow-capped peaks, Wayna Picchu and Intipunku (the Sun Gate), the entrance to the Machu Picchu Inca trail.

DURATION ½ Day - **DIFFICULTY LEVEL** II
SCHEDULE Morning and Afternoon - **FREQUENCY** Daily
ATTRACTIONS Orchids, Archaeological Sites, Market, Quechua and Photos
RECOMMENDED FOR CHILDREN

APU MACHU PICCHU
Hike the Machui Picchu Mountain for two-and-a-half hours from the archeological site, and reach the summit of Apu Machu Picchu. This trail, accessed from the Reserve, before climbing to the mountain's highest point. From there, enjoy the view of soaring eagles as well as Machu Picchu, other significant ruins in the area, Putukusi, Wayna Picchu, Salkantay mountain and the Vilcanota River.

DURATION 1 Day - **DIFFICULTY LEVEL** III
SCHEDULE Morning - **FREQUENCY** Daily
ATTRACTIONS Orchids, Market, Archaeological Sites, Quechua and Photos

WAYNA PICCHU
Visit the historical citadel of Machu Picchu with a private guide, followed by an hour-trek up Wayna Picchu. The steep trail, overlooking Machu Picchu, clings to the side of the mountain, leading the adventurous traveler to a remote corner of this archaeological site. In addition to a magnificent bird's-eye view of Machu Picchu, the summit also offers a perfect vantage from which to take in the Vilcanota River, the mountain of Putukusi and the distant snow-capped Andean peaks.

DURATION 1 Day - **DIFFICULTY LEVEL** III
SCHEDULE Morning - **FREQUENCY** Daily
ATTRACTIONS Orchids, Market, Archaeological Sites, Quechua and Photos

HUCHUY PICCHU
30-minute walk to the top of Huchuy Picchu mountain. Ascend to the summit of Huchuy Picchu ("Little Mountain"), one of the 3 impressive mountains guarding Machu Picchu, while enjoying stunning views of the Citadel and the valley. Take the opportunity to observe the surrounding flora; among which are different species of orchids, and listen to the songs of the birds that reside there.

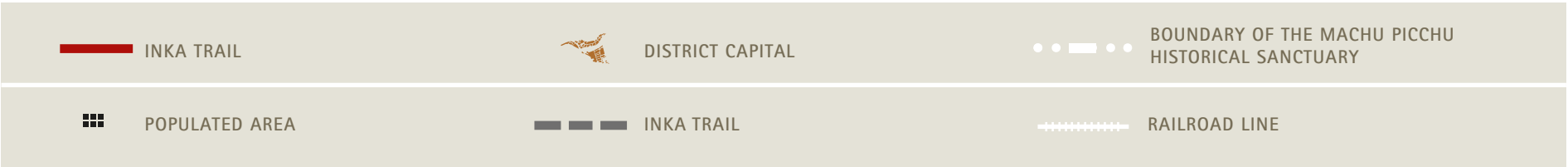
DURATION ½ Day - **DIFFICULTY LEVEL** II
SCHEDULE Morning - **FREQUENCY** Daily
ATTRACTIONS Orchids, Market, Language, Archeological site, Photography

MUSEUM - MARKET
Visit the open-air market at Machu Picchu village (Aguas Calientes), filled with displays of local Andean curios and clothing, then make the 30-minute walk to the archaeological site bridge and the Manuel Chavez Ballón Museum, home to excellent displays, maps and artifacts related to the archaeological site.

DURATION ½ Day - **DIFFICULTY LEVEL** I
SCHEDULE Morning and Afternoon - **FREQUENCY** Daily
ATTRACTIONS Market and Photos
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SPECIALIZED WALK
Our resident biologist will guide you in a three-hour walk along the hotel's Orchid and Bird's Trails. Watch a diversity of birds that make of our property their home, and discover an amazing variety of orchids that enchants with their beauty and amazing shapes, while getting personalized tour through the hotel and a detailed description of its natural highlights.

DURATION ¼ Day - **DIFFICULTY LEVEL** II
SCHEDULE Morning and Afternoon - **FREQUENCY** Daily
ATTRACTIONS Birds or Orchids, Photos



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- < INSECTS
- < MARKET
- < QUECHUA
- < ORCHIDS

WEATHER

Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr
18°/6° c 65°/43° F	18°/6° c 65°/43° F	19°/6° c 66°/43° F	19°/5° c 67°/41° F
May	Jun	Jul	Aug
19°/2° c 67°/36° F	19°/2° c 66°/32° F	19°/2° c 66°/32° F	19°/2° c 67°/35° F
Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
20°/4° c 68°/39° F	21°/5° c 69°/41° F	21°/6° c 69°/42° F	21°/6° c 69°/43° F

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