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## Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel

Having worked for Inkaterra I can certainly be accused of bias, but regardless of my prejudices I can't help but regularly refer to the Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel as one of the finest properties in South America.

Set in a lush cloud forest overlooking the Vilcanota River, the location is unique but it's really the "little things" that create something special here. The hotel grounds and surrounding cloud forest are home to 11 different hummingbird species and the world's largest collection of indigenous orchids. I've seen Andean spectacled bears chomping on bromeliads, Peru's national bird - the Andean Cock-of-the-Rock - and torrent ducks all from the hotel grounds!

After an arduous Inca Trail or Salkantay Trek (see our latest report on this here), the luxuries of the hotel are manna from heaven. A traditional spa and Andean sauna, the best breakfast of any hotel or lodge I've been to and a pisco sour bar all help you forget the Machu Picchu stairs.

The Machu Picchu Pueblo Hotel gives the contemporary traveler a retreat worthy of the citadel the Incas themselves escaped to over 500 years ago.



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The Andean Cock of the Rock



The hotel provides convenient access to the Machu Picchu citadel



The orchid garden at the hotel is incredible