

CODE: EXT-030

CORDILLERA BLANCA: TREK SANTA CRUZ

04 Days / 03 Nights

CITIES: HUARAZ -TREK: Cashapampa -Llamacorral / TREK: Llamacorral -Taullipampa / TREK: Taullipampa -Huaripampa / TREK: Huaripampa -Vaquería -HUARAZ



DAY 01

HUARAZ / TREK: Cashapampa - Llamacorral

Departing from the city of Huaraz north of the Callejón de Huaylas we descend by a motorway to the city of Caraz (2,300m); from where we start to ascend towards the Cordillera Blanca by an affirmed dirt road to the small town of Cashapampa (2,900m). Our mountain staff (guides, cooks and muleteers) will be waiting for us with all the components of the expedition to start the trek. We start the trek by going through the Santa Cruz stream to mount our first camp in Llamacorral (3,650m).

DAY 02

TREK: Llamacorral - Taullipampa

We follow the trek through the wide and flat ravine of Santa Cruz, crossing the lagoons of Ichiccocha and Jatuncocha; we arrive at Quisuar where we start a side walk to the base camp of the Alpamayo through the Arhuaycocha ravine where we have splendid views of the Quitaraju (6,040m), Alpamayo (5,947m), Artesonraju (6,025m) and others. Then, we cross to our camp in Taullipampa (4,000m) at the foot of the impressive Taulliraju (5,830m).

DAY 03

TREK: Taullipampa - Huaripampa

This will be a long day. We ascend a steep and zigzag road between the impressive Taulliraju and flanked by the turquoise lagoon of Taullicocha. We arrive to Punta Unión (4,750m) where you can see the Chacraraju (6,112m), Artesonraju (6,025m) m), Pyramid (5,885m), Huandoy (6,395m), Alpamayo (5,940m), Santa Cruz (6,259m), Rinrihirca (5,810m), Taulliraju (5,830m) and others; towards the eastern flank of the Cordillera Blanca we begin to descend through the lagoons of Morococha to the wide and long ravine of Huaripampa crossing forests of quenuales and pleasant Andean meadows; we camp in Huaripampa (3,600m).

DAY 04

TREK: Huaripampa - Vaquería / HUARAZ

We continue descending to the small Andean town of Colcabamba (3,350m) and then we begin to ascend towards Vaquería (3,700m). Our car will be waiting for us to ascend towards Portachuelo de Llanganuco (4,765m) where you have splendid views of Huascarán north (6,768m) Huascarán south (6,650m),

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Chopicalqui (6,354m), Huandoy (6,395m), Pisco (5,752m). Then we descend the Llanganuco ravine visiting its lakes Orconcocha and Chinancocha, then we return to the city of Huaraz.

RECOMMENDATIONS

-You can access Huaraz, in comfort, from the following cities:

-FROM LIMA: By plane or bus.-FROM TRUJILLO: By bus.

INCLUDED	NOT INCLUDED
 All transfers in cities, at the beginning of the treks and vice versa. A guide who knows the route and the customs of the place. Support staff (porters and camping equipment) during trekking. Ground transportation according to program description. Hot and cold meals during the circuit, indicated in program. Full board during the days of Trek. Two-person tents; bathroom-tent; kitchen-tent; dining-tent. Hot water for personal hygiene. Cook, tables, armchairs. Boiled and chlorinated water. First aid kit, Oxygen. Communication radios. Accommodation according to requested category and according to program. 	 Food NOT MENTIONED IN THE PROGRAM. Sleeping bag. Tips. Entry ticket to the Huascarán National Park.

WE RECOMMEND TO PACK

- **-CLOTHING:** Sun hat, mountain pants, comfortable and warm tights, cotton t-shirts, comfortable underwear, sweater (preferably antiperspirant), anorak or waterproof jacket, warm gloves, winter cap and change of clothing warm for the nights .
- **-FOOTWEAR:** Mountain shoes (check that they are in good condition), sneakers or light shoes to use in the camp and a pair of sandals to take a bath.
- **-ACCESSORIES:** Sleeping bag, sunglasses, water resistant bottle, flashlight (preferably headlamp), batteries, sports scarf.
- **-PERSONAL CLEANLINESS:** Medium towel, small toothpaste, toothbrush, soap, antibacterial gel, towels or damp cloths, sunscreen and repellent.
- **-MULTIMEDIA EQUIPMENT:** Camera and / or video camera, charged batteries (if possible bring 2 or more spare batteries), memory cards with available capacity, protective cover for cameras.
- **-DO NOT FORGET:** Original passport, sufficient amount of prescription drugs, Peruvian currency (soles) for tips and small purchases on the trip.