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A showcase of biodiversity and ancient customs and practices, this 3 hour hike through the Pumahuanca Valley offers stunning views, Inca ruins and lush landscapes.

Take a 3 hour hike into the heart of the Pumahuanca Valley, walking in the footsteps of the Incas. Soak up awe-inspiring views as you follow a path that begins in a lush dell, with a stream meandering through a shady copse lined by eucalyptus and queñua trees. Footpaths, bridges and hairpin bends lead to the Inca ruins of Chupani. The hike back to the hotel follows the same route.

This hike in the Peruvian Andes connects the Sacred Valley and the Urubamba range and is suitable for all abilities. Pumahuanca is a 5,318 meter high mountain, whose name, translated from the Quechua means "the stone of the mountain lion". The surrounding valley is brimming with biodiversity and home to indigenous communities who grow potatoes and raise llamas and alpacas, just as their ancestors have done for millennia.

- Depart: 9:00 am or 2:00 pm Return: 12:00 or 5:00 pm
- Whole journey duration: 3h **Driving time:** 30 minutes round trip
- Distance: 6 km
- Elevation gain/loss: +418 m / -418 m
- Maximum elevation: 3680 m / 12073 ft $\uparrow\uparrow$
- **Difficulty level:** Easy

Wear hiking clothes and shoes and a high SPF sun cream.







