

Huayhuash trek (8 days)

Hiking Distance: 116km

Duration: 8 days

Altitude: 5,200m

Difficulty Rating 7/10

Description

Day 1: Leaving Huaraz at 9am, arrive to the first campsite at 3pm after a lunch stop in Chiquian. There is no hiking on the first day. After arriving, relax and enjoy the view of Rondoy mountain and the valley, where there is often spectacular sunsets.

Day 2: There is an early morning wake up to start hiking up 2.5 hours to reach the first pass at 4,700m. Then hike downhill approximately 400m before another uphill hike for the second pass at 4,650m. Arrive to the campsite Carhuacocha at 4,280m around 4:30pm.

Day 3: There is another early morning wake up to start hiking uphill to the pass at 4,810m. Today will be the famous 3 lagunas viewpoint. Approximately 8 hours hiking. Campsite Huayhuash is a 4,350m attitude.

Day 4: Wake up early for the Trapasio pass at 5,041m, with an optional 40 extra minutes of hiking to reach the glacier. Then descend while passing 5 beautiful lakes to reach the campsite Cuyoc at 4,400m. Approximately 6-7 hours of hiking to reach the campsite. It is also optional to hike 2 hours from the campsite to San Antonio pass at 5,100m.

Day 5: Today will be one of the most beautiful viewpoints of the Huayhuash trek, the Santa Rosa pass. Here Suila Grande can be seen, the mountain made famous by the book and movie Touching the Void. 19km of walking which takes approximately 9 hours with breaks and lunch. The campsite is in the village of Huayllapa at 3,487m.

Day 6: The day will start early to walk 4-5 hours up to Tapush Pass at 4,800m. There will be a lunch stop on or before the pass before continuing to the campsite at 4,400m. 13 km and 7 hours of walking.

Day 7: Reach Yaucha Pass at 4,800m 1.5 hours after leaving the campsite. Then there will be a 1 hour side trip to see a mirador of 2 lakes. Then descend to the campsite at 4,000m.

Day 8: Walk 5 hours/16km of flat and downhill to walking to reach the village of Llamac. After arriving to the village, meet the car that will drive back to Huaraz 4 hours.

Price

5-8 people: 1200 soles

9-20 people: 900 soles

Entrance Fee Camping fees, (This varies per year, please ask current rate, approx. 220 soles)

