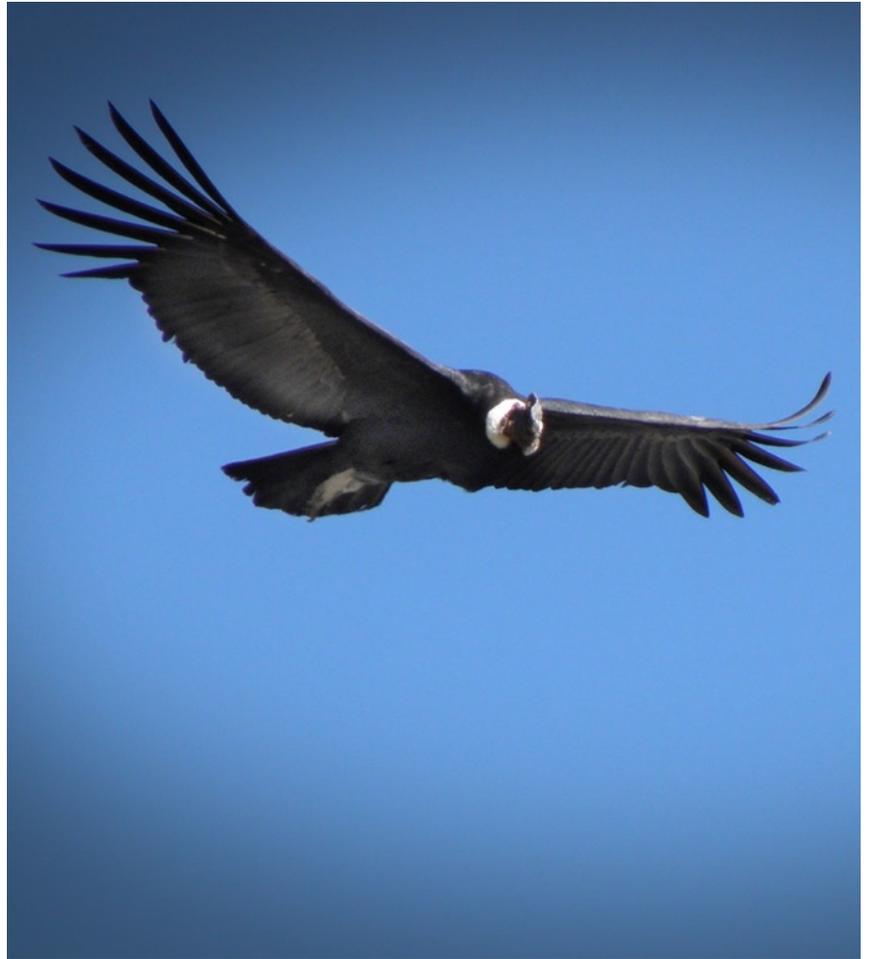


Colca



Colca Canyon 3 Day Trek I - **s/150**

Often heralded as the second deepest canyon in the world, at more than 1km from cliff-edge to river bottom, in places it's sides are so steep that it is impossible to see the bottom. Colca is truly an impressive sight, it's craggy desert landscapes, traditionally dressed Andinos and famous Andean Condors make it an unforgettable destination for trekking.

The canyon was formed by an enormous geological fault between two massive volcanoes, Coropuna at 6,425 metres and Ampato at 6,288 metres. According to National Geographic, the official source of the Amazon River is at 5,597 metres on Nevado Mismi, a snow-capped peak on the Northern end of Colca in the Chila Mountains, opposite the village of Chivay.

Colca Canyon is an incredibly beautiful and rugged canyon land, best known for days of dry land trekking and Cruz del Condor, one of the best places in the Andes to see the majestic Andean Condor.

Trekking Difficulty: **Easy**



Day 1 - The bus picks you up from the hostel between 3:00 and 3:30 am. Breakfast will be served in Chivay. After breakfast we will leave for "Cruz Del Condor", 45 minutes, where we will stay for approximately 1 hour of condor viewing. Next we depart for Mirador De San Miguel and start the decent into Colca and the village of San Juan De Chucchu, a 4 hour walk. We will overnight in San Juan at a family hostel.

Day 2 - After breakfast, we continue along the Northern side of the river, passing through the villages of Coshñirgua and Malata, before dropping back down to the river and the lowest point in the canyon, the Oasis Sangalle. We should arrive in Sangalle around 12:30 pm for lunch and will have the rest of the day to explore, relax in the pool, have dinner and an early bonfire. We will overnight in Paraíso Las Palmas hostel.

Day 3 - We will meet up at 5:00 am the next morning and start the trek up and out of the canyon to Cabanaconde, a 3 hour walk. There is an option to rent mules. Breakfast will be server in Cabanaconde, where we meet up with the bus back to Chivay for lunch and a nice soak in the hot springs. We then take the bus back to the Arequipa with a stop at the 4,900 metre Patapampa Volcano Viewpoint the highest point of the tour. Our arrival in Arequipa is between 5:00 and 5:30 pm.

Package Includes

- ❖ Tourist Transportation
- ❖ Professional Guide
- ❖ Staying with the family (San Juan De Chucchu)
- ❖ Accommodation in Sangalle
- ❖ All meals in the canyon
(three breakfasts, two lunches, two dinners)
- ❖ Transfers

Not Included

- ❖ Last lunch in Chivay
- ❖ Entrance to the hot springs in Chivay (15 soles)
- ❖ Tourist ticket (s/ 70.00)

What You Should Bring with You

- ✓ Jacket and/or Sweater for higher altitude
- ✓ Long Pants and Heavy Socks
- ✓ Sun Block and Sunglasses
- ✓ A Small Daypack
(for Personal Items, Water and Snacks)