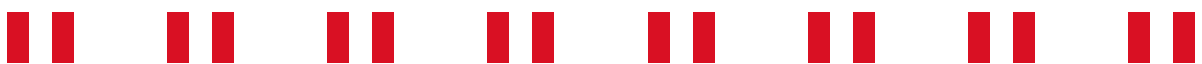




## 2-day Cusco Itinerary



Cusco



# Cusco: Ancient Incan Capital and Cultural Hub

Welcome to Cusco, the historic capital of the Inca Empire. This comprehensive 2-day guide will immerse you in the city's rich heritage, stunning colonial architecture, and vibrant Andean culture, perfect for first-time visitors.

## Historical Overview

Cusco, once the capital of the mighty Inca Empire, stands as a testament to both Incan and Spanish colonial influences. The city's unique blend of pre-Columbian and colonial architecture creates an atmosphere unlike any other in South America, earning it UNESCO World Heritage status.

## Cultural Treasures

The city boasts an impressive collection of museums and religious sites that showcase its rich history. The Museum of Religious Art and Museum of Pre-Columbian Art offer fascinating insights into the region's artistic heritage, while Santo Domingo and Coricancha represent the fascinating fusion of Incan and Spanish colonial architecture.

## Charming Neighborhoods

The historic center of Cusco, features stunning colonial architecture built upon Inca foundations. The San Pedro Market area offers a glimpse into local life, where you can experience authentic Andean culture and cuisine firsthand.

## Scenic Viewpoints

Cusco's hillside location provides numerous viewpoints offering breathtaking views of the city. The San Cristóbal and Inca Pachacutec viewpoints provide panoramic vistas of the red-tiled roofs and surrounding mountains, perfect for photography enthusiasts.

## Practical Travel Tips

- **Altitude:** Cusco sits at 3,399 meters (11,152 feet); take time to acclimatize.
- **Transportation:** The historic center is best explored on foot; use taxis for longer distances.
- **Weather:** Pack for variable weather; temperatures can change dramatically throughout the day.
- **Language:** Spanish and Quechua are widely spoken; basic Spanish phrases

are helpful.

## **2-Day Itinerary Highlights**

Day 1:

- Museum of Religious Art
- Museum of Pre-Columbian Art
- Santo Domingo and Coricancha
- San Pedro Market

Day 2:

- Cathedral of Cusco
- Museum of the Cathedral of Cuzco
- San Cristóbal Viewpoint
- Inca Pachacutec Viewpoint

This guide presents a curated selection of locations from over 30 possible sites, allowing you to customize your Cusco experience. Each stop offers a unique glimpse into the city's fascinating history and vibrant culture.

Cusco is more than just a gateway to Machu Picchu; it's a destination that deserves exploration in its own right. As you walk its cobblestone streets and discover ancient walls, colonial churches, and lively plazas, you'll understand why this city continues to captivate visitors from around the world.

Let this historic city inspire you with its remarkable architecture, rich traditions, and the warmth of its people. Enjoy your adventure in Cusco!



# Itinerary Preview

2 days

**DAY**  
01

Museo de Arte Religioso

Museo de Arte Precolombino

Qorikancha

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**DAY**  
02

Cusco Cathedral

Mirador de San Cristobal

Monumento Inca Pachacutec





# **Daily Events**



## Day 1

09:00

### **Museo de Arte Religioso**

C. Herrajes 38, Cusco 08002, Peru

11:00

11:45

### **Museo de Arte Precolombino**

Nazarenas 231, Cusco 08002, Peru

14:00

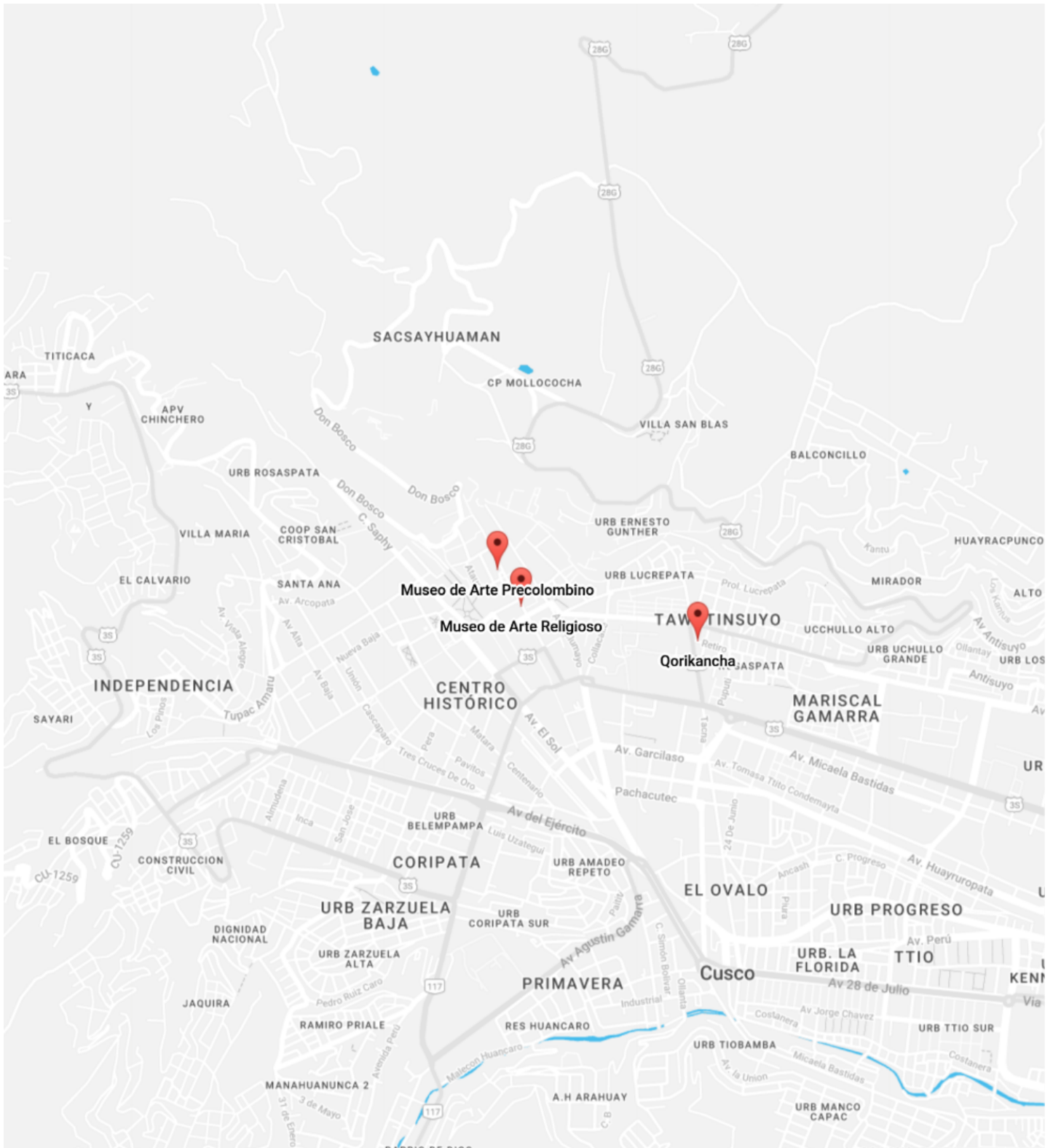
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### **Qorikancha**

Santo Domingo s/n, Cusco 08000, Peru

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# Map for Day 1



## Day 2

09:00

### **Cusco Cathedral**

Cusco 08002, Peru

11:00

11:45

### **Mirador de San Cristobal**

Plaza San Cristobal, Don Bosco, Cusco 08002, Peru

13:45

14:30

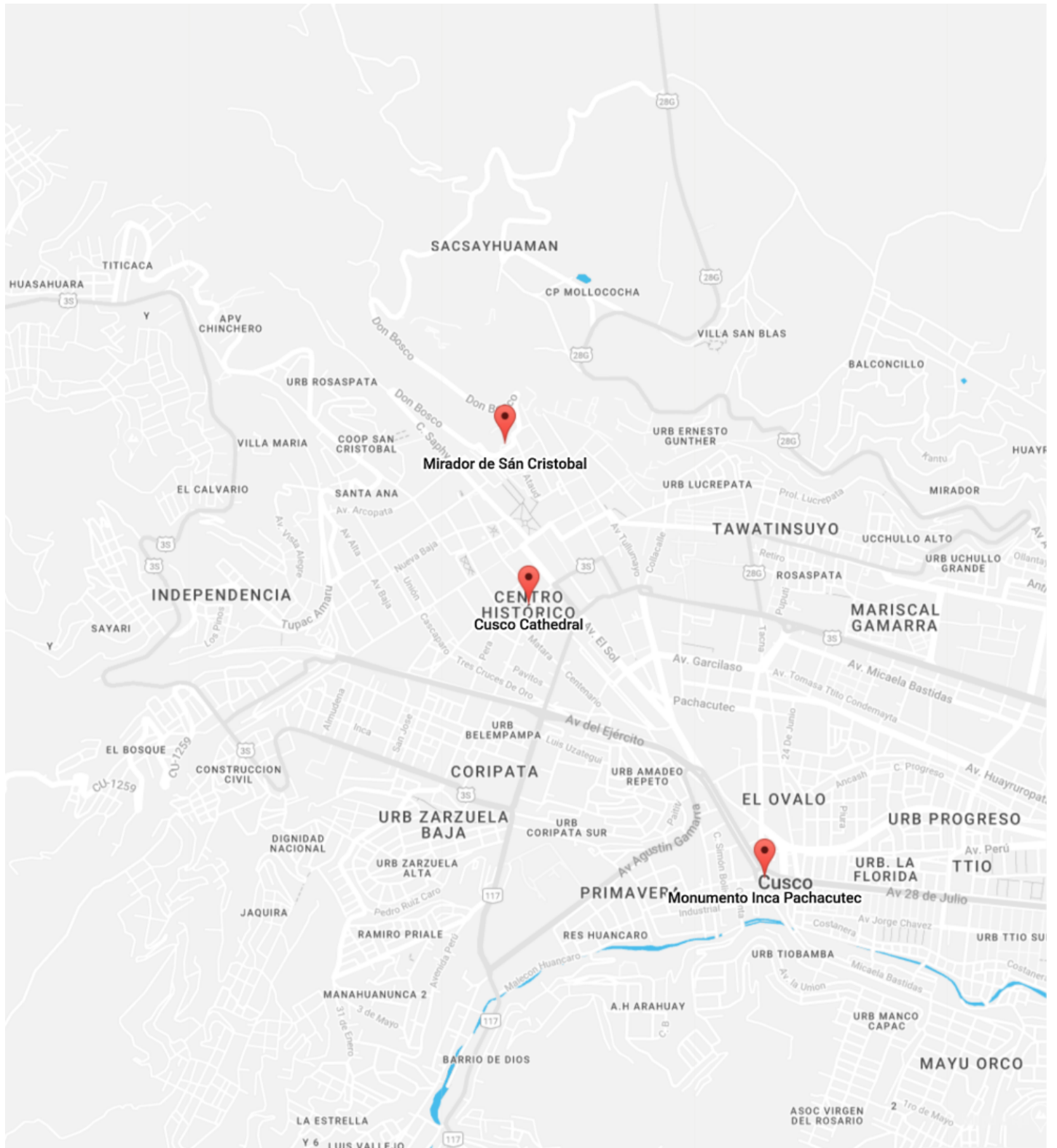
### **Monumento Inca Pachacutec**

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16:30



# Map for Day 2





# Spots



## Plaza de Armas

Pl. de Armas, Cusco 08006, Peru



## Calle del Medio Restaurante Bar

plaza de armas, Del Medio 113, Cusco 08002, Peru

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 12:00 - 10:00 PM

Tuesday: 12:00 - 10:00 PM

Wednesday: 12:00 - 10:00 PM

Thursday: 12:00 - 10:00 PM

Friday: 12:00 - 11:00 PM

Saturday: 12:00 - 11:00 PM

Sunday: 12:00 - 10:00 PM

### Phone:

913 366 185



## Iglesia, Museo y Convento de San Francisco

Pl. San Francisco S/N, Cusco 08002, Peru

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### Summary:

16th-century church with a carved choir area & a canvas painted with the Franciscan family tree.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM



## Museo Del Monast rio De Santa Catalina De Siena

calle, Sta. Catalina Angosta 401, Cusco 08002, Peru

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### Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Tuesday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Wednesday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Thursday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Friday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Saturday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Sunday: Closed

### Phone:

984 914 922



## Museo Casa Concha

F2MF+365, Sta. Catalina Ancha, Cusco 08002, Peru

### Summary:

Colonial house turned museum for archaeological finds from Machu Picchu, excavation photos & videos.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Saturday: Closed

Sunday: Closed



## Plaza San Blas

F2MG+W7Q Cuesta de San Blas, Cusco 08003, Peru

### Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours

Tuesday: Open 24 hours

Wednesday: Open 24 hours

Thursday: Open 24 hours

Friday: Open 24 hours

Saturday: Open 24 hours

Sunday: Open 24 hours



## Uchu Peruvian Steakhouse

C. Palacio 135, Cusco 08002, Peru

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### Opening Hours:

Monday: 12:30 - 10:00 PM  
Tuesday: 12:30 - 10:00 PM  
Wednesday: 12:30 - 10:00 PM  
Thursday: 12:30 - 10:00 PM  
Friday: 12:30 - 10:00 PM  
Saturday: 12:30 - 10:00 PM  
Sunday: 12:30 - 10:00 PM

### Phone:

(084) 583311



## Limo

2do piso, Portal de Carnes 236, Cusco 08002, Peru

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### Opening Hours:

Monday: 12:00 - 11:00 PM  
Tuesday: 12:00 - 11:00 PM  
Wednesday: 12:00 - 11:00 PM  
Thursday: 12:00 - 11:00 PM  
Friday: 12:00 - 11:00 PM  
Saturday: 12:00 - 11:00 PM  
Sunday: 12:00 - 11:00 PM

### Phone:

(084) 240668



## Q'enco Archaeological Complex

F2RH+CPX, Cusco 08003, Peru

### Summary:

Ancient megalithic site with the remains of an Incan temple & tunnels carved from rock.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 5:45 PM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:45 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:45 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:45 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:45 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:45 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:45 PM



## Museo de Sitio Qorikancha

Av. El Sol 526, Cusco 08002, Peru

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Thursday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Friday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday: 9:00 AM - 6:00 PM



## **Chicha por Gaston Acurio**

Plaza Regocijo, Cusco 05184, Peru

### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 12:00 - 10:30 PM  
Tuesday: 12:00 - 10:30 PM  
Wednesday: 12:00 - 10:30 PM  
Thursday: 12:00 - 10:30 PM  
Friday: 12:00 - 10:30 PM  
Saturday: 12:00 - 10:30 PM  
Sunday: 12:00 - 10:30 PM



## **Mercado de artesanías**

H5H2+6CP, Vigil, Písac 08106, Peru

### **Opening Hours:**

Monday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Tuesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Wednesday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Thursday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Saturday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Sunday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM





## Café Dwasi Peruvian Coffee

C. Heladeros 135, Cusco 08002, Peru

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### Opening Hours:

Monday: 7:00 AM - 10:30 PM  
Tuesday: 7:00 AM - 10:30 PM  
Wednesday: 7:00 AM - 10:30 PM  
Thursday: 7:00 AM - 10:30 PM  
Friday: 7:00 AM - 10:30 PM  
Saturday: 7:00 AM - 10:30 PM  
Sunday: 7:00 AM - 10:30 PM

### Phone:

984 862 000



## Hanz craft beer & restaurant

Plaza de armas de Cusco, Portal de Carnes 216, Cusco 08002, Peru

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### Opening Hours:

Monday: 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM  
Tuesday: 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM  
Wednesday: 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM  
Thursday: 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM  
Friday: 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM  
Saturday: 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM  
Sunday: 11:00 AM - 11:00 PM

### Phone:

913 251 990



## Qorikancha

Santo Domingo s/n, Cusco 08000, Peru

### Summary:

Inca ruins of a prominent 15th-century temple that once had walls & floors covered in pure gold.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Tuesday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Wednesday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Thursday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Friday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Saturday: 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Sunday: 2:00 - 5:00 PM

### Phone:

(084) 249176



## Pachapapa

Carmen Bajo 120, Cusco 08003, Peru

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 12:00 - 10:00 PM

Tuesday: 12:00 - 10:00 PM

Wednesday: 12:00 - 10:00 PM

Thursday: 12:00 - 10:00 PM

Friday: 12:00 - 10:00 PM

Saturday: 12:00 - 10:00 PM

Sunday: 12:00 - 10:00 PM

### Phone:

(084) 241318



## Cusco Cathedral

Cusco 08002, Peru

### Summary:

Built during the 16th & 17th centuries, this grand cathedral is filled with colonial paintings.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Tuesday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Wednesday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Thursday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Friday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Saturday: 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM

Sunday: 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

### Phone:

984 625 080



## Museo de Arte Religioso

C. Herrerajes 38, Cusco 08002, Peru

### Summary:

Grand former palace turned museum, showcasing religious colonial-era paintings & other art.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Thursday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Friday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday: Closed



## Saqsaywaman

Cusco 08002, Peru

### Summary:

Inca complex surrounded by walls that were made by fitting stones tightly together without mortar.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 7:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Tuesday: 7:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Wednesday: 7:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Thursday: 7:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Friday: 7:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Saturday: 7:00 AM - 5:30 PM

Sunday: 7:00 AM - 5:30 PM



## Monumento Inca Pachacutec

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## Mirador de San Cristobal

Plaza San Cristobal, Don Bosco, Cusco 08002, Peru

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### Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours  
Tuesday: Open 24 hours  
Wednesday: Open 24 hours  
Thursday: Open 24 hours  
Friday: Open 24 hours  
Saturday: Open 24 hours  
Sunday: Open 24 hours



## Inka Museum

Ataud 154, Cusco 08002, Peru

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### Summary:

Folksy collection of Inca art, artifacts & architecture in a modest, old-fashioned environment.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 9:15 AM - 4:00 PM  
Tuesday: 9:15 AM - 4:00 PM  
Wednesday: 9:15 AM - 4:00 PM  
Thursday: 9:15 AM - 4:00 PM  
Friday: 9:15 AM - 4:00 PM  
Saturday: 8:45 AM - 1:45 PM  
Sunday: Closed

### Phone:

(084) 237380



## Plaza Mayor de Cusco

Del Medio 123, Cusco 08000, Peru

### Summary:

Lively urban gathering place offering colonial arcades, a cathedral, gardens & a central fountain.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours  
Tuesday: Open 24 hours  
Wednesday: Open 24 hours  
Thursday: Open 24 hours  
Friday: Open 24 hours  
Saturday: Open 24 hours  
Sunday: Open 24 hours

### Phone:

951 128 967



## Mirador desde el Cristo Blanco

Cristo Blanco, Cusco 08003, Peru

### Summary:

Circa-1945, 26-foot Christ statue on a hill, a popular destination for city & night views.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours  
Tuesday: Open 24 hours  
Wednesday: Open 24 hours  
Thursday: Open 24 hours  
Friday: Open 24 hours  
Saturday: Open 24 hours  
Sunday: Open 24 hours

### Phone:

(084) 211106



## Museo de Arte Precolombino

Nazarenas 231, Cusco 08002, Peru

### Summary:

Ancient objects from 1250 B.C.–1532 A.D. on display in a 15th-century building with a cafe.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM  
Tuesday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM  
Wednesday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM  
Thursday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM  
Friday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM  
Saturday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM  
Sunday: 8:00 AM - 10:00 PM

### Phone:

(084) 595092



## Basilica Menor de la Merced

Mantas 121, Cusco 08002, Peru

### Summary:

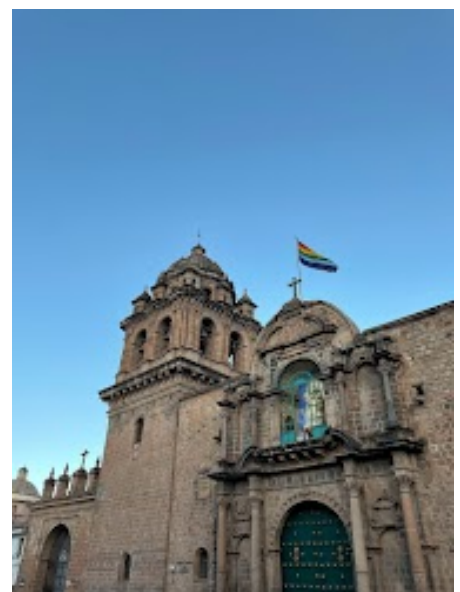
Ancient, elaborate Catholic church & monastery with fountains, murals & statuary.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM, 2:00 - 5:00 PM  
Tuesday: 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM, 2:00 - 5:00 PM  
Wednesday: 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM, 2:00 - 5:00 PM  
Thursday: 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM, 2:00 - 5:00 PM  
Friday: 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM, 2:00 - 5:00 PM  
Saturday: 8:30 AM - 12:00 PM, 2:00 - 5:00 PM  
Sunday: Closed

### Phone:

(084) 231821



## Mercado "San Blas"

Pumapaccha 231, Cusco 08003, Peru

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 6:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Tuesday: 6:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Wednesday: 6:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Thursday: 6:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Friday: 6:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Saturday: 6:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sunday: Closed



## Cicciolina

C. Palacio 110, Cusco 08002, Peru

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 12:30 - 9:30 PM

Tuesday: 12:30 - 9:30 PM

Wednesday: 12:30 - 9:30 PM

Thursday: 12:30 - 9:30 PM

Friday: 12:30 - 9:30 PM

Saturday: 12:30 - 9:30 PM

Sunday: 12:30 - 9:30 PM

### Phone:

(084) 255763





## Twelve Angled Stone

C. Hatunrumiyoc 480, Cusco 08002, Peru

### Summary:

Placed in the wall of a once-Incan palace, this legendary stone is said to hold up the structure.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: Open 24 hours

Tuesday: Open 24 hours

Wednesday: Open 24 hours

Thursday: Open 24 hours

Friday: Open 24 hours

Saturday: Open 24 hours

Sunday: Open 24 hours

### Phone:

931 093 123



## Plazoleta Santa Ana

Carmenka 252, Cusco 08000, Peru



## Plaza San Francisco

Pl. San Francisco, Cusco 08002, Peru



## Mercado Central de San Pedro

Thupaq Amaru 477, Cusco 08002, Peru

### Summary:

Bustling covered market with stalls for produce, meat, clothing, souvenirs, snacks & fresh juices.

### Opening Hours:

Monday: 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Tuesday: 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Wednesday: 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Thursday: 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Friday: 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Saturday: 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Sunday: 6:00 AM - 4:00 PM

