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TERRANCE TALKS TRAVEL: The Quirky Tourist Guide To Machu Picchu & Cuzco (Peru)



Synopsis

One of the best adventure destinations in the world is Machu Picchu. But it's also one of the most visited places with close to 500,000 visitors annually, so the Peruvian government has just added more tourism regulations to protect it. Find out everything you need to know about visiting this UNESCO site, including what type of ticket you should buy, how to buy the ticket, the best time to go, how to get there (an adventure in and of itself), how you should pack, ten things you must see while there, and much more. Did you know that the Classic Inca Trail Trek to Machu Picchu is one of the five best treks in the world? This reference also provides tourism information for Cuzco and Sacred Valley. While there, you may want to...
*Ride the world's longest zipline.
*Take a llama trek.
*Explore the Sacred Valley while riding a Peruvian Paso Horse through villages and past scenic lakes, mountains, and ancient Inca ruins.
*Take a thrilling ATV tour of the Maras Salt Pans.
*Stay in the only lodge at Machu Picchu.
*Participate in a special Andean Ritual to Mother Earth.
*Experience exhilarating Class IV rapids while whitewater rafting on the Urubamba River.
*Shop 'til you drop at one of the local markets.
*Take a night tour of Cuzco and learn how to make the perfect Pisco Sour.
*Attend a Peruvian cooking class and sample local delicacies, such as Cuy and Patatas Bravas.
*Visit the only chocolate museum in this part of the world and attend a chocolate-making workshop that includes lots of samples!
*Find out about natural hot springs near Machu Picchu that offers dozens of different therapeutic pools.
*Learn about the only Skylodge in the world. Hope you're not afraid of heights!
Plus, learn how to stay healthy (including how to avoid altitude sickness), how to stay safe, how to exchange money, how to save money, and much more!
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Customer Reviews

The Quirky Tourist Guide To Machu Picchu, written by author Terrance Zepke, shows readers unique and exciting travel opportunities to beautiful Machu Picchu. The content of this book centers on places to go and sights to see along with exciting pictures of Machu Picchu and other images too like maps of the country and of the sights that Zepke is also promoting. I especially liked the picture of the author and her friend, Jim, during their hike. Because so many times, authors remain in the shadows of their work, and it was nice to see Zepke actually doing what she is talking about in this book by traveling, lending her an air of authority that would otherwise not be there. The photos and the content of this book are only two of the strong points though. This book also includes helpful links to places and sights that, if readers choose to, they can find out even more information. Author Zepke also provides helpful tips about how to avoid becoming ill from altitude sickness, exchanging money, and other tips at how to stay safe when visiting there. The tone of this book - while discussing these topics and more - is casual. The author also clearly moves from photo to text with ease, making this, along with her proper use of grammar, an easy read. There is also no character development, because this is a travel book, mentioned before but worth noting again here, where author Zepke lightly touches upon what traveling to Machu Picchu has to offer to visitors. Besides the content from within, the cover is eye-catching too. By including people on the cover, that added

a personal touch in this reader's opinion and also made me want to pick up the book. 5 stars out of 5 stars is how this reader would rank this book.

The Quirky Tourist Guide to Machu Picchu and Cuzco (Peru) is a useful book for anybody who is planning a trip to South America. The author, Terrance Zepke wrote this guide based on her own travel experience. She supplied her book with lots of pictures of beautiful landscapes. Breathtaking views are so tempting, that they make you wish to take your own trip to Machu Picchu. Everything that you need, you will find in this book: maps, hotel recommendations, shuttle bus schedule and tours hours of operation, attractions and activities, bars and clubs. The book explains how to get to Machu Picchu, comparing the time and price of the trip, which can be turned into a real journey if you choose to hike. The top 10 things to see and the short history of the place can be found in this book as well. I like the pages with fun facts and 50 Spanish Words You Need to Know. I found them quite entertaining and educational. The author came up with the great idea to build a 12 month calendar in her book, which is very compact and convenient. Potential tourists can choose the right month for them to see the things they might like: it could be Todos Santos Day (Celebration of Death) in November or Inti Raymi-The Inca Festival of the Sun, in June. There is something to do for every month.

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