

Rocotuyoc Lake

About this tour

Hiking start: Huaraz
Hiking time: 2:00 hrs.
Ascent: 57m. / 187ft.

Hiking end: Huaraz
Driving time: 4:30 hrs.
Descent: 57m. / 187ft.

Overview

On this full-day tour, discover the beauty of Rocotuyoc Lagoon on our exciting Full Day! we'll experience the unforgettable natural beauty of two pristine lakes located at the foot of the glacial cirque of the beautiful snow-capped mountains, Paccharaju, Bayoraju, and Copa Norte, as well as Vicos and Akilpo peaks.

Our Itinerary

We start the day by driving south for about 30 minutes, to the town of Marcará, and then east towards the village of Vicos. Continuing through the Honda and Paccharuri Valleys, we'll observe imposing canyon walls and dense native Andean vegetation, as well as various cascading waterfalls. The Rocotuyoc Lake (4,450m.) and the little frozen Lake are located at the top of Paccharuri Canyon, one behind the other. The lake closest to the glacial cirque is dotted with small icebergs and surrounded by a spectacular view of mountains, ice, and blue sky. We will hike from Rocotuyoc Lake to Frozen Lake for about one hour, following a remarkable trail that includes a short passage over a glacier moraine. We'll pause for photos and a brief respite before returning to the first lake by the same path. Very close to these lakes, we will observe the Lllamaruri cave paintings; these paintings are a record reflecting the number of llamas that belonged to the pre-Inca culture that dwelt in this region. Return to Huaraz City.

Included:

- Transportation
- Professional bilingual guide
- Box lunch
- Entrance tickets
- First Aid Kit

Not included:

- Personal travel insurance
- Additional services
- Tips
- Extras

What to take:

- Short-sleeved shirts or t-shirts of breathable fabrics, like nylon and polyester
- Light insulation long sleeve jacket
- Waterproof jacket (if it's the rainy season, we recommend you also bring rain pants)
- Hiking pants or shorts, preferably made of QuickDry material
- Light cap
- Breathable sports or hiking socks

- Multifunctional headwear (for example, Buff)
- Waterproof and breathable light hiking boots
- Trekking Poles (rent available)
- Day Pack (preferably with rain cover)
- Sunglasses, sunblock, lip balm, and repellent
- Reusable water bottle
- Personal First Aid Kit (recommended)