



ADVANCED LEVEL

Grade: D

Altitud: 6025 m.a.s.l.

Artesonraju is located in the Santa Cruz and Paron Valleys. Artesonraju is an exciting and challenging climb that provides climbers exciting alpine rock and ice climbing, steep snowfields and an exposed ridge. Climbers will enjoy views of Santa Cruz Grande, Taulliraju, among others. Many suggest that Artesonraju, with its beautiful pyramid shape, is the mountain that is shown in the Paramount Pictures logo.

Day 1: Huaraz – Cashapampa – Llamacorral (3760masl/12335')

This morning we'll pick you up at your hotel and head towards the Callejón de Huaylas on the north side of Huaraz. As we head out of Huaraz the scenery quickly changes to beautiful traditional Andean villages and farmland. We'll pass through Carhuaz, its name derived from qarwash which means yellow, and the color of the retama flower (broom flowers) known to the area (2650m/8692ft).



Here we will find traditional homemade ice-cream, fresh milk, and the freshest local fruits. We continue and eventually reach the small town of Yungay. This town was completely buried by an avalanche that crashed down from Mt. Huascarán's north peak in 1970. From here we begin our climb up the Llanganuco Valley to the entrance to the Llanganuco Valley where we will register at the National Park Control station. From here we pass the two lakes that are generally called the Llanganuco Lakes - Chinancocha and Orconcocha. On a clear day we will be humbled by the impressive peaks looming above including Huascarán, Chopicalqui, Pisco, Huandoy, and Chacaraju. After organizing our burros and loading up our gear, we'll hike with day packs to Llamacorral (3760masl), where we'll camp for the night.

Day 2: Llamacorral – Taullipampa Camp (4500masl/14760')

After breakfast we'll depart by 8:00AM and hike about 5 hours along the valley until we reach the Alpamayo Base Camp at Taullipampa. We'll set up camp, prepare and check our climbing gear for the next day. Dinner and rest at camp.

Day 3: Taullipampa – Moraine Camp (4900masl/12335')

After breakfast we'll pack our climbing gear and begin to hike up along the steep moraine ridge to Moraine Camp, (about 5 hours). Once at camp we'll enjoy a hot dinner, review our gear and plan for our early summit attempt. (5200m/17056ft).

Day 4: Moraine Camp – Summit (6025m/19762ft) – Taullipampa

After a quick breakfast we'll break camp at 12:00AM. We will hike for about 1 hour until we reach the glacier. Here we'll gear up, and begin the climb. We'll first encounter steep sections of about 30 - 40 degrees, and later some ice walls of 60 - 70 degrees. After about 6 to 7 hours climbing we'll reach the summit (6025m/19762ft), From the summit we will enjoy spectacular views of Mt. Piramide de Garcilaso, Caraz, Taulliraju, Pucajirca, Alpamayo, Quitaraju and



many more. We will return by the same route, to Taullipampa for about 4 – 5 more hours, overnight at (4500m/14760ft).

Day 5: Taullipampa – Huaraz

After a final breakfast at camp, we'll pack up our gear and begin our hike out along the Santa Cruz valley, to Cashapampa, where our transportation will be waiting for us. (about 7 hours hiking) Return to Huaraz, about 3.5 hours driving and return to your hotel. End of expedition.

INCLUDED:

- UIAGM guide.
- Private transport to/from trailhead.
- All meals while on the mountain (excellent, high energy meals prepared fresh on the trail)
- High altitude mountaineering tents.
- Complete kitchen equipment (tables, chairs, dining tent etc.).
- Porters/arrieros and/or pack animals to haul the heavy gear.
- Technical climbing equipment such as ropes.
- Ice screws.
- Snow anchors.
- Basic First Aid kit.
- Radio communication.

EXCLUDED:

- Flights to/from your country of origin to Peru/Huaraz.
- Bus ticket Lima-Huaraz-Lima and associated hotels if needed.
- Transfers between bus station/airport.
- Personal items such as expedition clothing.
- Harness, helmet, ice axe & boots (rentable if needed).
- Extra meals outside the trip itinerary (in Lima or Huaraz).
- Sleeping bag & mattress.



- Travel insurance (recommended).
- Huascarán National Park entrance (payable at park gate).
- Tips to guide and staff

