



INTERMEDIATE LEVEL CLIMBS

Grade: PD (moderate)

Altitude: 5460m.a.s.l.

Yanapaccha (black waterfall) is a mountain in the Llanganuco valley of the Cordillera Blanca, about 5,460 meters (17,913 ft.) high. Yanapaccha lies southeast of Chacaraju. Yanapaccha is a perfect mountain for those looking to gain glacier travel and basic ice climbing skills, as well as the opportunity to bag a peak over 5,000 meters! Climbers will enjoy amazing views of surrounding peaks from base camp each day, and even more spectacular views on the summit day.

We suggest you arrive in Huaraz at least 2 days prior to the start of the trip. This will allow for proper acclimation as Huaraz sits at 10,000' in elevation. It also allows us to meet up with you to review the days ahead and check to ensure you have proper clothing and gear. Gear is rentable upon request.



Day 1: HUARAZ – KM42 – MORaine CAMP (4900m/16072ft)

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. Finally we reach our stopping point at km42. Here we begin our hike up to the Moraine Camp of Yanapaccha, about 2 hours. Once at base camp, we'll review the plan for tonight's summit attempt, check gear, have a good dinner and get some rest. All of your gear should be ready to go before you cash in for the night. (4900m/16072ft).

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Day 2: Moraine Camp – Summit Yanapaccha – Moraine Camp

Wake up is at 2:30AM, with a quick breakfast at 3:00AM. We break camp about 30 minutes later and begin our climb over the rocky path to reach the glacier. Depending upon snow conditions, weather, and team health/fitness, the summit can be reached in 4-6 hours. (5460m/17908ft). If we are lucky we will enjoy spectacular views of the surrounding mountains such as Chacaraju, Pisco, Huascarán, Chopicalqui, Contrahierbas, & Huandoys. The descent will take 3-4 hours and we should be back in camp by midafternoon for a warm lunch and some rest. Your afternoon is free to enjoy the area. Final dinner at camp and sleep.

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Day 3: Moraine Camp – KM42 - Huaraz

We'll enjoy a relaxing final breakfast in the Moraine Camp, pack up our gear, then head out the same way we came in. Our transport will meet us at km42 and we'll head back to Huaraz.

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

