

Huascarán National Park

Huascarán National Park is located in the north-central part the Andean Sierras in the Department of Ancash. The park protects the Cordillera Blanca, considered to be the highest tropical mountain range in the world. Covering over 340 thousand hectares with altitudes from 2400 to 6768 m.a.s.l, it is known worldwide as "The Huascarán Biosphere Reserve" and as "A Natural Heritage Site for Humanity".

In the highest altitudes of the Cordillera the temperatures range from 0 C to 7 C with higher temperatures and warmer weather at lower altitudes. The Majestic Cordillera Blanca has more than 30 glaciated peaks over 6000 m.a.s.l. with the tallest being Huascarán, sitting at 6,768 meters. This mountain range offers real challenges for mountaineering and is quickly becoming an important destination to practice adventure sports.

Lovers of Adventure Tourism can climb the most beautiful mountains in Peru, go hiking, practice high mountain skiing, snowboarding, camping, paragliding, hang-gliding, mountain biking, canoeing, kayaking etc.

The park is known as an important bird watching area with over 210 species of birds. It supports an emphasis on bird conservation, and has been recognized by Bird Life. Additionally, you have the opportunity to see flora and fauna, and more than 10 species of mammals which have adapted to live in the challenging and harsh conditions typical of the park.

PARK ENTRANCE

For all types of tourism; Conventional or Adventure, "SERANANP", the Government Service for the Protection of Natural Areas, charges an entry fee in order to help maintain this important National Park

ENTRANCE FEES

Conventional Tourism:

Adults S/ 5.00 Soles 1 day

Children (until 12 years of age) S/ 1.50

Adventure Tourism:

Climbing and Hiking - S/65.00 soles

Hours for the park are from 7 am until 3:30pm. All visitors have to register at the different control areas located in various park entrances and provide them with a credible document to show your identity; passport, DNI, Carnet de Extranjeria.

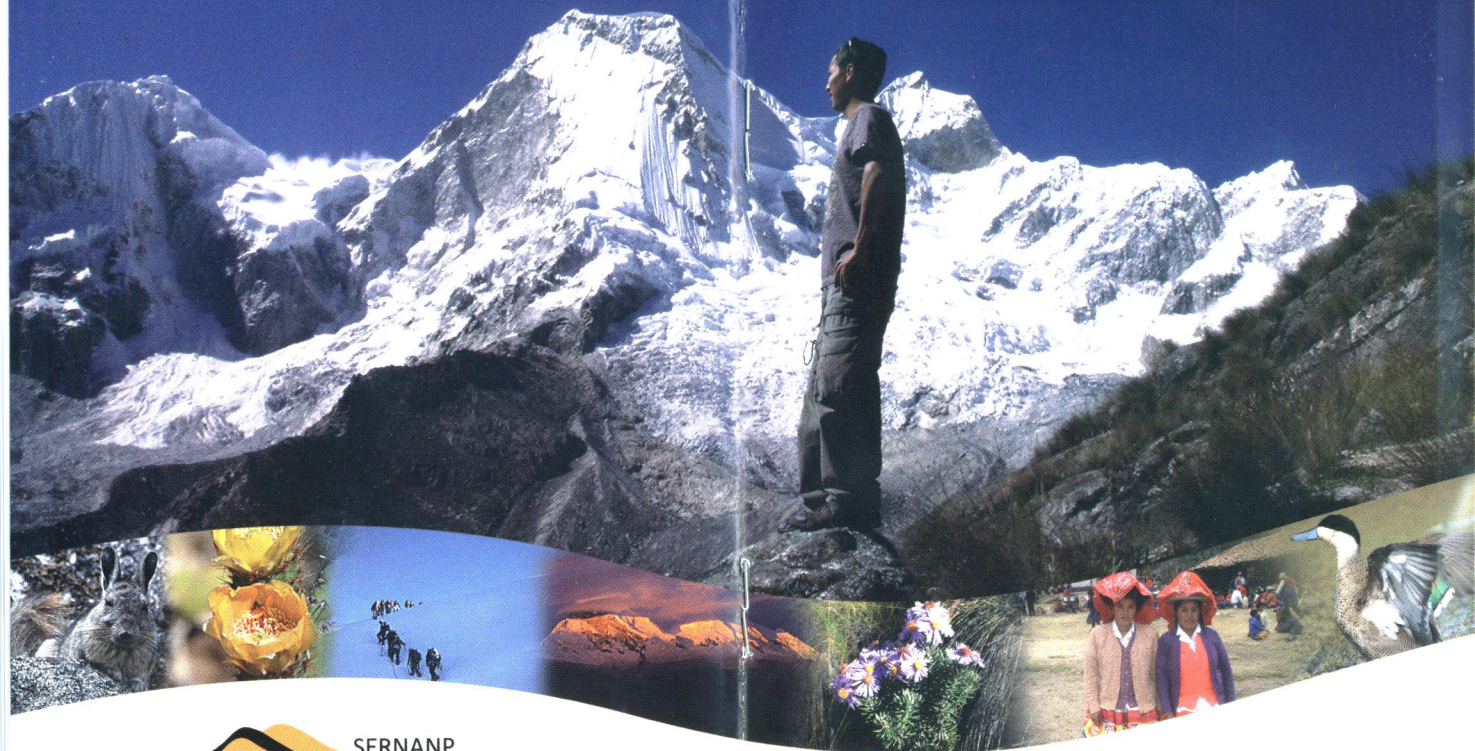
WHAT EVERY TOURIST SHOULD KNOW: RECOMMENDATIONS

• In specialized and adventure tourism, activities in the park can be arranged through authorized tour operators and agencies. The activities need to have a guide and experienced personal; in addition, you may need to have written official authorization from the National Park Office.

• To purchase the tickets you must declare that you know the risks of the activity you chose to be involved in.

**DARE YOURSELF TO
EXPERIENCE A ONCE
IN A LIFETIME ADVENTURE**

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HUASCARAN
NATIONAL PARK**



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SECURITY PRECAUTIONS IN THE PARK

Mountaineering can be a high risk activity and knowing the area you are in can help to avoid accidents. Possible dangers while in the mountains can be: loose and falling rocks and boulders, glaciers, avalanches, cornices, seracs, and crevasses. Rapid weather changes, thunder and lightning, high winds, snow and sudden increases in water levels in rivers are all types of unpredictable weather conditions that could occur.

Recommendations:

- To help avoid or minimize altitude sickness, gradually gain altitude and rest for the first day, eat lightly and stay very well hydrated.
 - Be physically healthy and prepared.
 - Ice and rock climbing requires for you or an agency to use an official certified guide:
- BE AWARE OF UNCERTIFIED GUIDES**
- Know about where you are going; routes, degree of difficulty and risks
 - Always have a headlamp, matches and subzero sleeping bag.

RESPECT NATURE AND CULTURE

- Respect wildlife and archeological sites. Only take photographs for your memories.
- Observe wildlife from a distance and do not disturb.
- Only use established trails and camp in designated campgrounds.
- Use biodegradable soaps and wash your dishes 60meters from the river.
- No open fires are permitted for any reason.
- Collect all your garbage and use provided garbage receptacles or carry it out.
- Respect other people in the park.
- Follow the Park Guards recommendations and respect the local culture.

WHERE TO PURCHASE ENTRANCE TICKETS

Huascaran National Park Office -SERNAMP

Jr. Federico Sal y Rosas 555

Huaraz, Ancash

Phone: (043) 422068

Open: Monday – Friday 8:30am -8:00 pm,
Saturday and Sunday 8:30 am -12:00pm

Casa de Guías

Parque Ginebra 28 G, Huaraz, Ancash

Phone:(043) 421811

Centro Cultural de Yungay

Plaza de Armas, in front of the Municipal Building in Yungay, Ancash

Monday – Sunday 7:00am – 5:00 pm

Banco de la Nacion

Av. Luzuriaga 669 , Huaraz, Ancash

For more information contact:

pnhuascaran@sernanp.gob.pe

or call the Office: 043-422086

"You are an important part in helping to conserve Huascaran National Park, "A Natural Heritage Site for Humanity".

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

•Security and Rescue Section : Main Office of Huascaran National Park (24 hours)
Cell Phone: 954-535323
or Office: (043)422086

Casa de Guías de Montaña

(043) 427545 or 421811

•Police Rescue Service

Phone:(043)391163 or 391669

•Bear (Medical Rescue Corps)

Cell Phone 943-781296 or (043) 391183
or RPM *172635