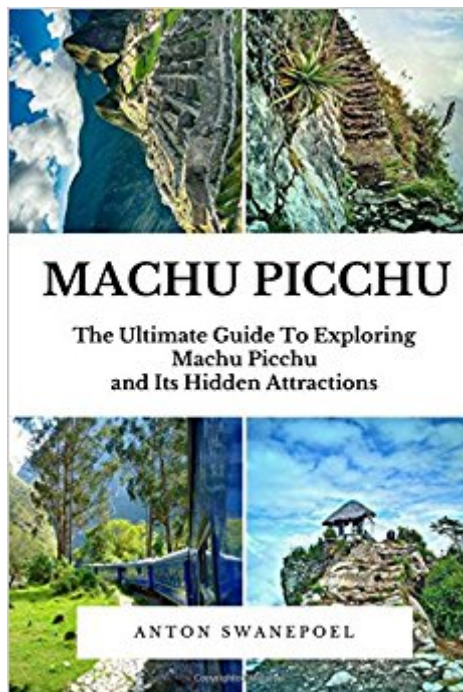


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# Machu Picchu



## Synopsis

A Unique Travel Guide for the Adventurer in All of Us Machu Picchu, a Peruvian archeological site set atop a lofty mountain range, nearly 8000 feet above sea level. The once powerful Inca Empire gave rise to this mystical city in the 15th Century. The ruins overlook majestic mountain ranges, sacred valleys and flowing rivers – there is literally no place like it on the planet. It is unique in history, design, preservation, and access from the outside world. A trip to Machu Picchu is at the heart of discovery: create memories, fill a photo album, or fulfill a lifelong dream of adventure. This travel guide is intended for the do-it-yourself traveler, but the vital information is certainly pertinent for anyone planning a trip to the site. Explore the region before even arriving, with over 200 beautiful pictures to stimulate your imagination and build excitement. Learn of the many destinations that may not be included in a typical tour package. Some of these (Inca Bridge, Sun Gate, Hot Springs, and more) are a must-see and part of the overall experience. You’ve traveled a long way; don’t pass up some of the hidden treasures. This book offers step-by-step instructions on everything you’ll need to make your holiday a success. Every detail has been addressed: how to get there, how to use the train system, where to buy and claim your entry tickets, and so much more. Utilize information collected and used by a world traveler himself, laid out in a concise, straightforward guide that will add untold dimension and depth to your Machu Picchu experience. Here is a short list of examples of what you’ll learn: Updated October 2016 to include new research and scientific findings on the purpose of Machu Picchu. How to book travel plans. Accommodation options while there. How to plan and arrange your time. Layout of Aguas Calientes (Machu Picchu town). Layout of Machu Picchu ruins. Locations off the beaten path. Special Note: The guide also includes a picture walk-through for the ruins, and both large and small mountain sites. If you cherish history and love to travel, this guide is a must. Scroll up and grab your copy today. Categories: Machu Picchu, Peru Travel, South American Travel, Latin American Travel, Travel Tips, Peru Travel Guide, Machu Picchu Books, Machu Picchu self guided tour.

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Adventurer and world traveler, Anton Swanepoel, hales originally from Pretoria, South Africa, but has called a number of exotic locations home. Educated as a software engineer, he worked for a large multinational company before deciding to travel the globe. Along life's journey, Anton became a skilled scuba diver and technical diving instructor, teaching for seven years while living in the Cayman Islands. His resume touts Tri-Mix instructor levels from multiple licensing agencies, and dive records over 400 feet. Mr. Swanepoel has always loved travel and writing. In the past several years he's combined these passions, authoring and publishing a host of books, sharing secrets he's learned along the way. When he's not exploring an underwater landscape or racing a motorcycle down a stretch of highway, you'll find Anton visiting world destinations and chronicling his experiences. Today, he is a full-time globetrotter and writer, having penned instructional guides for diving and travel, as well as a pair of fictional novels. His excursion titles are geared toward do-it-yourself travelers, who enjoy saving money and seeing the out-of-way places. His favorite destinations include, Machu Picchu, the mountains of Vietnam, and the Temples at Angkor Wat.

My first overall impression of this eBook (guide) is Wow. I just finished reading it and feel like I've been to the top of the world and back. I had no idea the ruins were so extensive. I never expected to get so much detail packed into a single, concise document. For someone not much of a world traveler and thinking of visiting foreign lands and remote destinations is daunting, to say the least, but after reading this book I think I could do it. The step-by-step (take me by the hand) information was very helpful, but the icing on the cake was the picture guide. What a great way to ease the fears of being in unfamiliar locations. I bought this not thinking I'd be going to Machu Picchu anytime soon, but I wanted it for the amateur photographs - I was not disappointed. Mr. Swanepoel has done his homework, giving the reader the information (including website links right from the book) necessary for planning and executing a South American holiday. I would recommend this to anyone thinking of visiting Peru, or for anyone like me, who likes to dream.

This book has only basic info about Machu Picchu and surrounding towns. All the info given can be easily found online, like Wikitravel or Wikipedia. Although there is lots of repetition in the book, the taxi info and train schedules are incomplete. The photos were standard and directions within the Machu Picchu site itself will only confuse you more. There is absolutely no history about the site itself! The author claims that it's not a history book, but all other travel books include some paragraphs here and there about certain sites, places, and culture. I recommend getting the Moon's guide to Peru & Machu Picchu. I bought this one hoping it would be more focused on Machu Picchu, but instead it just has lots of repetition and confusing directions. At least with Moon's guide, you also get info on interesting cities like Cusco and Lima for about the same price.

It's always been a dream of mine to visit Machu Picchu. However, being of the adventurous sort, I'm not at all interested in the guided tours. I'd much rather map out a tour for myself and have my own experiences and impressions. Swanepoel has, once again, given me that freedom. His pictures are breathtaking, and truly capture the essence of the area. With his links, information, and tips, I have begun to map out a personal tour for myself and my fiancé. It's very obvious that Mr. Swanepoel takes great pride in his work, and his information is always spot on and extremely helpful. I have every intention of studying his book further, and planning the trip of a lifetime for my fiancé and me. I greatly recommend this guide to anyone looking for a descriptive, well written guide on the area, or to anyone that enjoys beautiful photography.

Excellent verbal descriptions of the whole site and wonderful accompanying photos. Also, has great info about getting to and from MP.

Great

I was expecting much more information about the sites within Machu Picchu. There was not any depth.

Very pleased with this travel guide. Will be very helpful in planning our trip.

Very easy to follow, I like way that the information was conveyed along with the pictures. I took notes and am planning a trip soon.

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