

# EXCURSIONS GUIDE



# EXPERIENCES

*Tinajani excursions are offered on a shared basis, with the possibility of arranging private outings upon prior request and at an additional cost. Services are available in Spanish or English; other languages may be coordinated in advance. For safety reasons, participation of children under 16 is not recommended, except in those experiences specifically marked as “suitable for children”, always under adult supervision.*



## EXPLORING THE PROPERTY

- *Twilight Among Stone & Fire*
- *Hiking through the Canyon*



## VENTURING NEARBY

- *Exploring the Giant Puyas Forest*
- *Crafts of Pucará*
- *Cordillera Route*



## TRAVESIAS TO TINAJANI

- *From/to Cusco*
- *From/to PUQIO*
- *From/to Titilaka*

# TWILIGHT AMONG STONE & FIRE



**Duration:** 1-2 hours | **Mode:** Light walking | **Difficulty:** Level I

## DESCRIPTION

Short, low-impact walk around the Tinajani surroundings, designed for the late afternoon. The route is taken at a relaxed pace and leads to the Qolle tree, a singular native species and the only tree growing within the canyon, notable for exceeding the typical height of its kind at this altitude. The experience includes a brief guided breathing exercise and concludes in one of the property's courtyards with a controlled fire, local snacks and cultural storytelling related to Andean worldview.

Altitude (min/max)	3,980 m a.s.l.
Location	Surroundings of Tinajani
Hiking time	~ 20 minutes (round trip)
Transport time	Not applicable
Frequency	Daily (subject to weather conditions)
Departure time	Late afternoon (5:00-7:00 p.m.)
Season	Year-round
Highlights	Nature, mysticism, spirituality, andean culture
Meals	Snacks and beverages
Recommendations	Windbreaker jacket, hat, sunscreen
Remarks	Suitable for children
Included	Local guide



# WALKING THROUGH THE CANYON



**Duration:** 1-3 hours | **Mode:** Hiking | **Difficulty:** Level I, II, III

## DESCRIPTION

Guided hike through the Tinajani Canyon, offering flexible route options depending on the group's physical level and available time. Departing directly from the camp, the walk explores narrow canyons and striking rock formations, with opportunities to observe local flora and Andean wildlife. Along the way, the guide shares local legends linked to the Tres Tinajas, the Devil's Tinaja, and the ancestral story of Tina and Ajani. Depending on the selected route, the hike may extend to higher viewpoints, where Inca chullpas can be found.

Altitude (min/max)	3,960–4,150 m a.s.l.
Location	Surroundings of Tinajani
Hiking time	Variable, according to route
Transport time	Not applicable
Frequency	Daily (subject to weather conditions)
Departure time	Morning (7:30–10:00 a.m.) or afternoon (2:30–4:00 p.m.), route-dependent
Season	Year-round
Highlights	Canyon landscapes and geological formations, Inca chullpas on selected routes
Meals	Light snacks & water
Recommendations	Hiking shoes, warm layers, windbreaker, sunscreen, rain poncho during rainy season
Remarks	Suitable for children (levels I & II)
Included	Local guide



# EXPLORING THE GIANT PUYAS FOREST



**Duration:** 2-4 hours | **Mode:** Light walking | **Difficulty:** Level I

## DESCRIPTION

*This excursion combines a vehicle transfer with short, easy walks through lesser-visited areas surrounding the Tinajani Canyon. The route crosses open high-Andean plains and leads to the Puya de Raimondi forest, home to the world's largest bromeliad species. During the visit, the guide provides context on the plant's growth cycle, longevity and ecological importance, as well as on the surrounding landscape. The experience includes a picnic lunch within the puya forest and is operated at a relaxed pace.*

Altitude (min/max)	3,950–4,150 m a.s.l.
Location	Areas surrounding the Tinajani Canyon
Hiking time	10–25 minutes total, short walking segments
Transport time	Approximately 40–60 minutes round trip by vehicle
Frequency	Daily (subject to weather conditions)
Departure time	Morning (8:00–10:00 a.m.) or afternoon (2:30 – 3:30 p.m.)
Season	Year-round
Highlights	Puya de Raimondi forest, high-Andean landscapes, unique geological formations, native flora
Meals	Picnic lunch
Recommendations	Hiking shoes, warm layers, sunscreen
Remarks	Suitable for children
Included	Local guide



# CRAFTS OF PUCARÁ

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**Duration:** 3-5 hours | **Mode:** Light walk | **Difficulty:** Level I

## DESCRIPTION

Cultural excursion by vehicle to the town of Pucará, known for its ceramic tradition and pre-Inca heritage. The visit includes a stop at a Toritos de Pucará workshop to observe the production process and understand the cultural significance of these ceramic figures. The itinerary continues with the Pucará Lithic Museum, which presents sculptures and ceremonial pieces from the ancient Pukará culture, and the Church of Santa Isabel, illustrating the coexistence of Andean and colonial religious traditions. The excursion is operated as a half-day cultural visit.

Altitude (min/max)	3,900–3,950 m a.s.l.
Location	Pucará town and surroundings
Hiking time	Short urban walks
Transport time	Approximately 40 minutes each way
Frequency	Daily (subject to weather conditions)
Departure time	Morning (8:00–9:30 a.m.) or afternoon (2:30 – 3:00 p.m.)
Season	Year-round
Highlights	Toritos de Pucará workshop, Pucará Lithic Museum, Church of Santa Isabel
Meals	Snacks and water
Recommendations	Comfortable shoes, light jacket, sunscreen
Remarks	Suitable for children, can be operated as part of an arrival or departure transfer to or from Puno
Included	Local guide



# CORDILLERA ROUTE (\$)

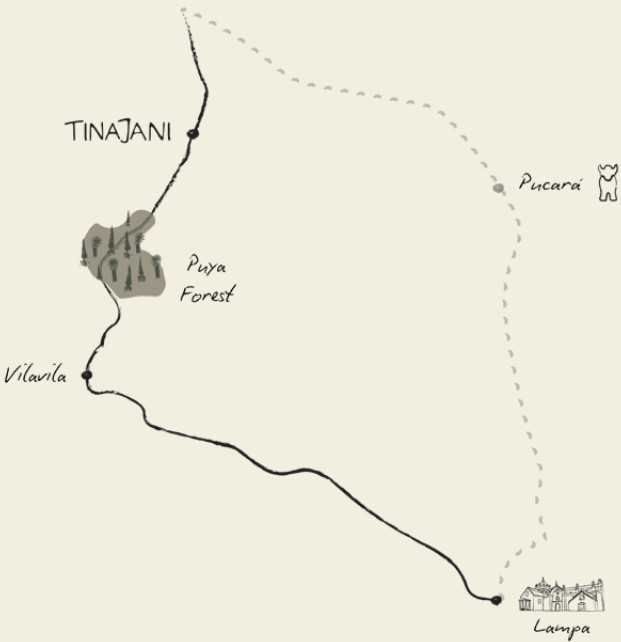


**Duration:** 4-6 hours | **Mode:** Vehicle excursion | **Difficulty:** Level I

## DESCRIPTION

The itinerary includes the town of Lampa, with a visit to the Church of Santiago Apóstol and its authorised replica of Michelangelo’s Pietà, as well as Palca, where traditional alpaca textile production can be observed. The route continues through the Vilavila area, with stops at its lagoon and waterfall, before reaching high-altitude passes and a Puya de Raimondi forest, and then returning to Tinajani.

Altitude (min/max)	3,900–4,610 m a.s.l.
Location	Cordillera region near Tinajani
Hiking time	Optional short walking segments, approximately 5–20 minutes total
Transport time	Approximately 3–4 hours total
Frequency	Daily (subject to weather conditions)
Departure time	Morning (8:00–9:00 a. m.)
Season	Year-round
Highlights	Town of Lampa and Church of Santiago Apóstol, alpaca textile artisans in Palca, Vilavila lagoon and waterfall
Meals	Snacks and water (optional picnic lunch)
Recommendations	Hiking shoes, warm layers, sun protection
Remarks	Suitable for children, combinable with Pucará, picnic lunch among the puyas subject to availability and at an additional cost
Included	Local guide



# TRAVESIAS TO TINAJANI



*When staying at Tinajani, all transfers to and from Cusco, PUQIO and Titilaka are included, travelling along traditional routes with a host driver. Snacks and beverages are provided. Travesias are available with prior reservation and may incur an additional charge, unless included as part of a private programme.*



## FROM/TO CUSCO

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*The journey between Cusco and Tinajani connects the former imperial capital with the landscapes of the southern Andes. Travelling directly takes approximately 5.5 hours, while including selected cultural and scenic stops extends the journey to around 7.5 hours.*



\*Optional stops from Cusco include the Four Lakes Circuit (6 hrs) or deeper scenic routes such as Palccoyo, Q'eswachaka, Vinicunca, or Wakiapukara (8+ hrs)

[Travesia to Tinajani]



FROM/TO PUQIO

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*The journey between PUQIO (Colca Valley) and Tinajani crosses open plateaus and pastoral landscapes characteristic of the altiplano. When travelling directly, the route takes approximately 6 hours, offering a gradual transition between regions.*

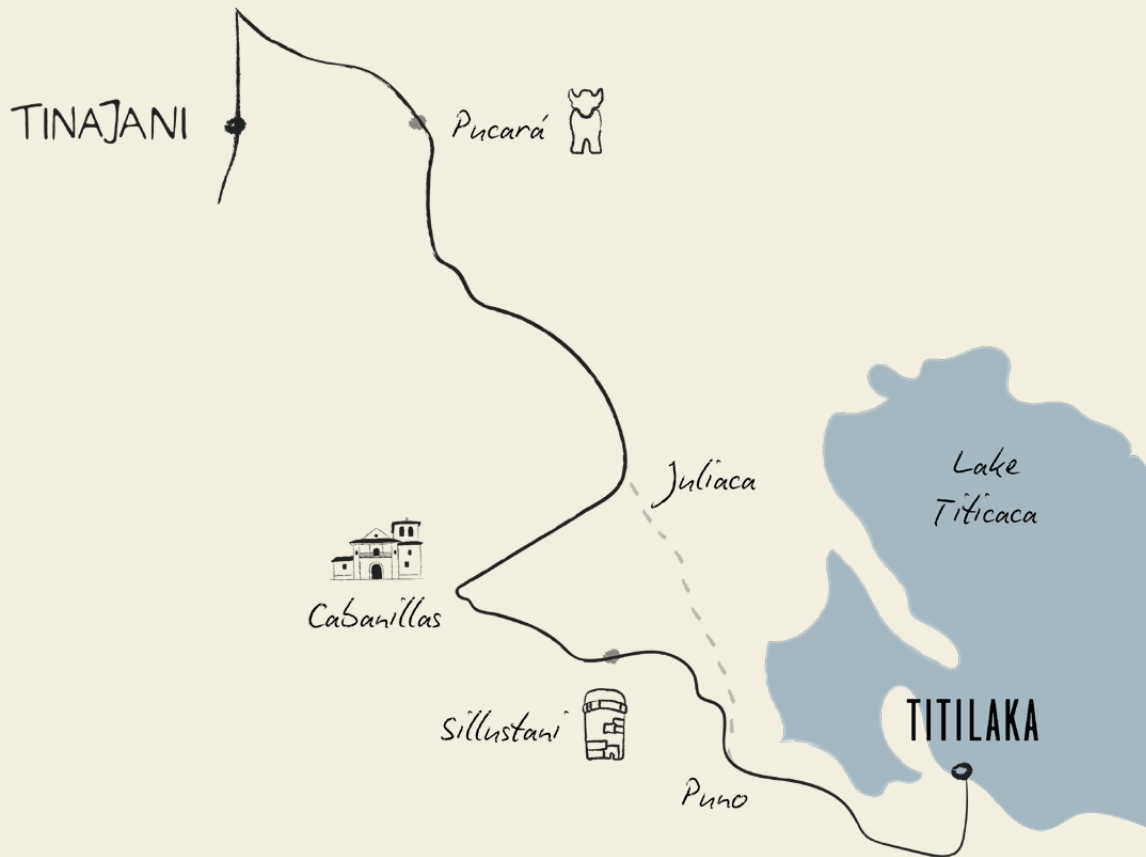




## FROM/TO TINAJANI

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*The journey between Titilaka (Lake Titicaca) and Tinajani crosses open highland plains and historic villages. Travelling directly takes approximately 4 hours, while including visits to Sillustani and Pucará extends the journey to around 5.5 hours.*





## FROM/TO TITILAKA

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### Cordillera Route

The journey between Titilaka (Lake Titicaca) and Tinajani follows the Cordillera, passing through rural villages, open highland plains, and landscapes marked by Puya de Raimondi forest. The route takes approximately 6 hours, offering a gradual transition into the canyon.



A tall, dark, spiky plant, possibly a cactus or a large succulent, stands prominently in the center of the frame. It has a long, slender stem covered in small, sharp spines, reaching up towards the sky. The background features a vast, arid landscape with rolling hills and mountains under a blue sky with wispy clouds. In the foreground, there are patches of dry, yellowish grass and some smaller, spiky plants. A dark, out-of-focus object, likely a hand or a part of the camera, is visible on the right side of the image.

# TINAJANI

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