

OLLANTAYTAMBO

LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

It is located to 80 kilometers from the city of Cusco. In the province of Urubamba, in the department of Cuzco. Surrounded by mountains and the main access roads run through the Urubamba Valley

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HISTORY

It is believed that it was a change of refuge for Inca royalty and nobility. The fortress was built with huge rocks brought from a quarry 6 kilometers away, near the Urubamba River.

INTERESTING DATA

- In Ollantaytambo, the rebel Incas clashed with the Spanish conquerors in 1537.
- Ollantaytambo is geographically aligned with other important archaeological sites in the world such as Machu Picchu, Easter Island (Chile), the Pyramids of Giza (Egypt) and others.

DID YOU KNOW?

The word Ollantaytambo derives from the quechua word "ulla-nta-wi" which means "place to look down"



TERRACES

Stepped agricultural terraces and a top irrigation system.



CEREMONY CENTER

The ceremonial area was built out of cut and fitted stones.



FORT

Ollantaytambo served as a strength for Manco Onca Yupanqui during the Spanish conquest of Peru.



SUN TEMPLE

Hugr temple made up of six stone blocks weighing up to forty tons.

ARCHITECTURE



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