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ADVENTURE · MOVEMENT · CONNECTION

Discover

Huaraz

the Switzerland of Peru

Merrell Skyrace Experience | 23 km

Cordillera Blanca



Skyrace Journey

Our *Take*

High in the Peruvian Andes, the Cordillera Blanca is the highest tropical mountain range on Earth: a wall of glaciers, turquoise lagoons and granite peaks crowned by Huascarán, Peru's highest summit at 6,768 m. At its feet sits Huaraz, a mountain town at 3,050 m that Peruvians call *la Suiza peruana*, the Switzerland of Peru. It is home to the Ultra Trail Cordillera Blanca, one of South America's most celebrated mountain races.

This nine-day journey follows the wind, ***from the sea breeze of the Pacific to the cold air that falls off the glaciers.*** We take you into the high Andes at an unhurried pace, with time to adapt, move with intention and connect with the people and places that make this region extraordinary, before lining up together for the 23 km UTCB Skyrace.

Expect early light on the glaciers, honest trail miles, slow mornings, bonfires under the Andean sky and a team that takes care of every detail, so you can just ***follow the breeze.***



About the *Experience*

Run beneath the glaciers of the Cordillera Blanca, acclimatize with intention and race the 23 km UTCB Skyrace alongside a small group of kindred spirits.

Dates	June 27th – July 5th, 2027
Booking Deadline	To be announced
Price	On request
Trip Length	9 Days, 8 Nights
Group Size	8 Participants Max.
The Race	UTCB Skyrace · Sunday, July 4th
Race Distance	23 km · +1,450 m elevation gain
Base Altitude	Huaraz, Peru · 3,050 m



About the *Activity Level*

All paces are welcome on a Brisa journey. ***We design experiences around discovery and connection, not speed.***

That said, this is an **intermediate to advanced** mountain running experience. The UTCB Skyrace covers 23 km with 1,450 m of elevation gain on high-mountain terrain, with sections above 4,500 m. You should feel comfortable running and hiking for four to seven hours on varied, technical trails.

Altitude is the real protagonist, so we take it step by step. After two days in Lima and a morning flight to Huaraz, the itinerary builds progressively: an easy first day, a sunset acclimatization walk, a community day, a signature high-altitude hike and short shakeout runs before race day. Qualified local guides adapt every activity to conditions and to how each of you is feeling.

Acclimatization reduces risk but never removes it. Before you travel we share altitude guidance and a medical questionnaire, and we will always put your wellbeing ahead of any start line.

If you're still unsure about the fitness level, book a call with one of our team members and we'll be happy to help you decide if this journey is the right fit.

Book a Call



Experience ***Highlights***

01 Race the **UTCB Skyrace**: 23 km and 1,450 m of climbing through the Cordillera Blanca, with the glaciers of the highest tropical range on Earth as your backdrop.

02 Acclimatize with intention through a sunset walk, restorative yoga and a signature high-altitude hike to one of the region's glacial lagoons.

03 Give back with a morning of community service alongside a local Andean community, then run at dawn with Huaraz's own running community.

04 Make recovery a ritual with mobility sessions, yoga, ice baths and compression boots before and after race day.

05 Taste the Andes with a chef-led cooking experience, a stroll through the local market, bonfire nights and a well-earned post-race celebration.





The Journey *at a Glance*

From the Pacific breeze to the thin air of the high Andes in nine days. Once in Huaraz we build altitude gradually, giving your body five days to adapt before the start line.



01	SUN, JUN 27	Lima	Welcome to Peru
02	MON, JUN 28	Lima	Pacific breeze on Morro Solar
03	TUE, JUN 29	Lima → Huaraz	Flight to the Andes & sunset walk
04	WED, JUN 30	Huaraz	Community service & bonfire
05	THU, JUL 1	Cordillera Blanca	Signature hike to a glacial lagoon
06	FRI, JUL 2	Huaraz	Community run & race kit
07	SAT, JUL 3	Huaraz	Runner's expo & pre-race ritual
08	SUN, JUL 4	Cordillera Blanca	UTCB Skyrace · 23 km
09	MON, JUL 5	Huaraz	Recovery breakfast & farewell



The *Itinerary*

Days 01 – 03 · From the Pacific to the Andes

DAY *01*

SUNDAY, JUNE 27 · LIMA

Welcome to Peru

Afternoon Arrive in Lima and settle in. We gather for our welcome session: the Brisa team walks you through the journey, and each participant shares who they are, their running story and their goals for race day.

Evening Welcome dinner in Lima, our first table together.

DAY *02*

MONDAY, JUNE 28 · LIMA

Pacific Breeze

Morning Our first run together on the trails of Morro Solar, starting from Agua Dulce beach, with wide views over the Pacific. Time to shower and change.

Lunch Team lunch.

Afternoon Free time to rest, pack and explore Lima at your own pace.

Evening A free evening in Lima before we fly to the mountains.

DAY *03*

TUESDAY, JUNE 29 · LIMA → HUARAZ, 3,050 M

Arrive High

Morning Morning flight from Lima to Huaraz. Welcome breakfast at our first hotel, then time to rest and hydrate.

Lunch Lunch at the hotel.

Afternoon Our first acclimatization activity: an easy walk timed for sunset over the Cordillera Blanca.

Evening Restorative yoga, dinner together and a review of the days ahead.



The *Itinerary*

Days 04 – 06 · Explore, Give, Connect

DAY
04

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30 · HUARAZ

Give Back

Morning	A morning of community service alongside a local Andean community.
Afternoon	Gentle walk through Huaraz and its local market.
Evening	Bonfire under the Andean sky.

DAY
05

THURSDAY, JULY 1 · CORDILLERA BLANCA

The Signature Hike

Morning	Signature high-altitude hike to one of the Cordillera Blanca's glacial lagoons, at an easy, conversational pace with our local guides.
Afternoon	Mountain picnic, then mobility and self-release work back at the hotel.
Evening	Cooking experience with a local chef.

DAY
06

FRIDAY, JULY 2 · HUARAZ

Shakeout & Race Kit

Morning	7:00 am community run from Plazuela de la Soledad in Huaraz.
Midday	Race kit collection (12:00 – 6:00 pm): bib, timing chip and race shirt.
Evening	Fireside evening with games and stories.



The *Itinerary*

Days 07 – 09 · Race Week

DAY
07

SATURDAY, JULY 3 · HUARAZ

Expo & Ritual

Morning	Wellness morning, followed by a visit to the runner's expo.
Afternoon	Race strategy session and gear check with our team.
Evening	A quiet pre-race ritual with messages for race day, then an early dinner.

DAY
08

SUNDAY, JULY 4 · RACE DAY

UTCB Skyrace · 23 km

Morning	Early breakfast, then the 9:00 am start at Campo Deportivo Marian: 23 km and 1,450 m of elevation gain through the Cordillera Blanca.
Lunch	Group lunch after the finish.
Afternoon	Rest and recovery: ice bath, compression boots and time to put your feet up.
Evening	Race celebration.

DAY
09

MONDAY, JULY 5 · HUARAZ

Farewell

Morning	Recovery breakfast and check-out. Return to Lima or extend your stay.

Itinerary subject to change according to weather, trail conditions, group needs and the official race schedule.





The *Acclimatization* Program

Five days in Huaraz, built so your body can adapt before race day. Each day builds on the last, and our team adjusts the plan to how each of you responds.

Step by step

- Day 03: easy arrival and sunset walk
- Day 04: a day with the community
- Day 05: signature high-altitude hike
- Day 06: short shakeout run
- Day 07: wellness morning and strategy

Altitude nutrition

- Hydration plan from the first day
- Carbohydrate-forward menus
- Light meals on arrival
- Race-week fueling strategy
- Menus adapted to your dietary needs

Your pace, your body

Acclimatization reduces risk but never removes it. Our local guides adapt every activity to the conditions and to how each of you is feeling.



The *Recovery* Ritual

At altitude, recovery is not an extra: it is part of the preparation. Every Brisa journey includes a thoughtful recovery layer, guided by qualified practitioners and always optional.

Before race day

- Mobility and restorative yoga
- Power vinyasa flow
- Easy shakeout runs
- Nutrition and hydration briefing
- Race strategy and gear check

After race day

- Guided cooldown
- Ice bath
- Compression boots
- Foam rolling and mobility
- Recovery meal and celebration

The recovery kit

We travel with our own recovery kit, so it is always at hand: an inflatable ice bath, compression boots, foam rollers, yoga mats and a curated supplement station, plus first-aid equipment for every activity.



Stay & *Local Table*

Thoughtful hospitality is part of the journey. We choose places for how well you rest, how well you eat and how close they keep you to the mountains.

Stay

Boutique stays with an intimate scale: a quiet countryside retreat in the Callejón de Huaylas and a comfortable base in Huaraz, close to the race, with early breakfasts on race morning.

Table

Food is how we get to know a place. Expect a chef-led cooking experience with Andean ingredients, a stroll through the local market, a mountain picnic, a traditional Andean barbecue and runner-friendly menus all week, adapted to your dietary needs.

Signature moments

- Welcome dinner in Lima
- Mountain picnic
- Chef-led cooking experience
- Bonfire nights
- Traditional Andean barbecue
- Race celebration

Why Brisa?

Brisa is Spanish for ***breeze.*** It is the sea air on a Pacific morning, the cold wind that falls off the glaciers and the rush you feel on a long descent. A breeze moves lightly, goes where the land takes it and leaves you feeling more alive. We design travel the same way.

We are a travel and experience design company creating small-group journeys around movement, nature and genuine connection with local people and places. Trail running is where we begin; surf, trekking and retreats are where the wind takes us next. For travelers who want something deeper than a finish line: to travel with purpose, feel looked after and come home with more than a medal.

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DAYS IN PERU



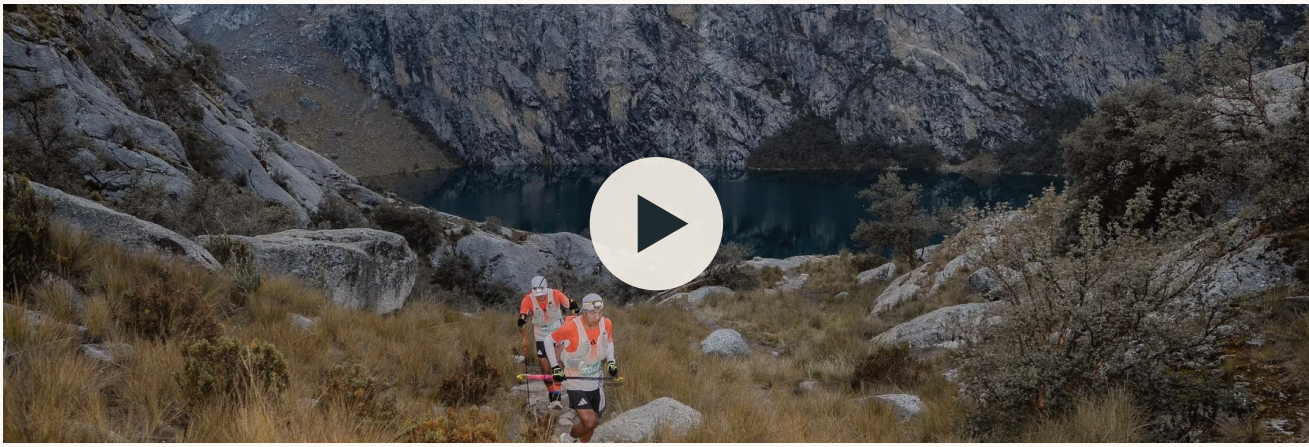
3,050 m
BASE ALTITUDE

+1,450 m
RACE ELEVATION GAIN

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GUESTS MAX.

The *Race*

The Merrell Skyrunner World Series is the global league of elite mountain running. Its 2026 season ran 19 races across 12 countries and four continents, from China to the Andes, with Huaraz as one of its stops. The world's best skyrunners race these same mountains.



Watch the Sneak Peek

Merrell Cordillera Blanca Skyrace 2026 highlights, on the official Skyrunning channel.

While you prepare for the race

Gastronomy

A chef-led cooking experience, a mountain picnic and an Andean barbecue.

Culture

Huaraz on foot, its local market and time in Andean communities.

Wellness

Restorative yoga, mobility sessions, ice baths and compression boots.

Community Service

A morning alongside a local community and a dawn run with Huaraz's runners.

Race sponsors and partners

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Our *Commitments*

Altitude and safety are part of the design, never an afterthought.



Local Expertise

Qualified local mountain guides who know the trails, the weather and the communities we visit.



Small Groups

A maximum of 8 guests, split into pace groups with regular regrouping points. No one is ever left behind.



Altitude Guidance

Pre-trip medical questionnaire, altitude briefings and a progressive itinerary designed for gradual adaptation.



Emergency Planning

A documented emergency and evacuation plan, first-aid equipment and radio communication in the mountains.



Trusted Partners

Licensed transport, vetted accommodation and qualified recovery practitioners, held to written service standards.



Independent & Transparent

Brisa is an independent travel operator, not the race organizer. Clear inclusions, clear terms, no surprises.

Pricing & *What's Included*

PRICE: ON REQUEST

Pricing for the 2027 edition will be released soon. Secure your spot with a 10% down payment. We accept payment by debit card, and payment plans are available.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Clear terms for cancellations by participants and by Brisa, shared in full at booking.*

RACE REGISTRATION

Your UTCB Skyrace 23 km entry is included. We purchase it and handle the registration on your behalf.

FLIGHT TO HUARAZ

The Lima – Huaraz flight is required and paid by each participant. You book it yourself with our guidance.

Included

- UTCB Skyrace 23 km race entry
- Acclimatization program (altitude nutrition)
- Boutique accommodation (twin share)
- Ground transport as per itinerary
- Daily breakfast and group meals as noted
- All guided activities, hikes and community runs
- Yoga, mobility and recovery sessions
- Race-week support and strategy session
- Welcome and post-race celebrations
- Brisa hosts throughout and welcome kit

Not included

- International flights
- Lima – Huaraz flight (required)
- Travel and medical insurance (required)
- Meals not listed in the itinerary
- Personal expenses and gratuities

Book Now

**Terms and conditions apply. Inclusions subject to final confirmation.*



Ready to *Breathe Higher?*

Book Now

Price: On request

Secure your spot with a 10% down payment.
Payment by debit card. Payment plans available.

Book Now *or* Explore All Experiences

Not Sure If This Experience Is For You?

Many first-time participants book a quick call before reserving. It's the easiest way to make sure this journey is right for you!

Schedule a 20-minute call



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