

INFORMATION



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MUCH MORE WILDLIFE
- GUARANTEED -



TRULY PRIMARY
RAINFOREST

BELONGS TO THE COMMUNITY

The perfect opportunity to be in a Truly Primary Rainforest, full of Incredible & Varied Wildlife. More Birds, Mammals, and Reptiles, because our well maintained trails and a lower impact in our area keep animals and nature in its place.

A whole natural world surrounding you while you stay in our comfortable cabins, and trying delicious typical food.

Deep within the Ecuadorian Amazon you will find a mysterious lake called Challuacocha, feel the mystery. and experience our lodge.

Along the southern border stretches the vast Yasuni National Park. In the corridor between, located on 40,000 hectares (100,000 acres) of untouched rainforest lies here, a unique Ecuador ecolodge. Here, the biodiversity will amaze you! On your adventure, you will walk through a pristine

rainforest gallery that is home to 1,500 species of trees, hundreds of climbing vines, and exotic flowers, as well as 550 species of tropical birds, 13 species of monkeys and 1,000 species of beautiful butterflies.

With our extensive knowledge of the Amazon wildlife and biodiversity we can give our guests the true experience of an Ecuadorian Amazon jungle tour.

TRULY PRIMARY RAINFOREST

RATES INCLUDE:

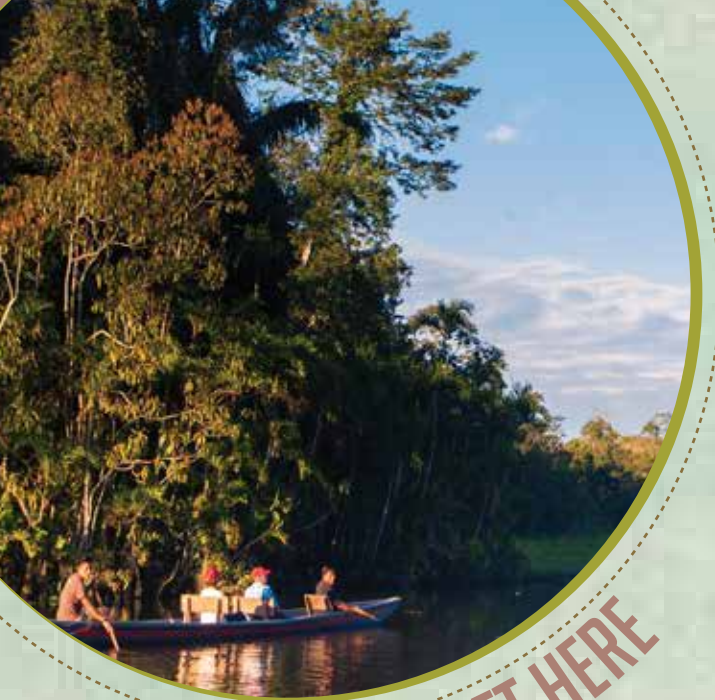
- Assistance at Quito Airport
- Transportation Coca -Lodge -Coca
- Accommodation in private cabin with hot water or tent
- All meals starting with lunch on the first day and finishing with breakfast on the last day
- Snacks for all the excursions
- Native and bilingual guide
- All the excursions
- Rubber boots
- Rain coats
- WIFI in the bar area

RATES DO NOT INCLUDE:

- Taxes
- Air ticket from/to Quito (US \$210.00 round trip or, \$110 one way. Price subject to change without previous notice)
- Or Bus ticket from / to Quito US 30,00 round trip or, US \$15,00 one way.
- Personal expenses, extras, tips
- Any not specified service

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- Prices are per person
- Air tickets can be purchased our agency
- We depart every day except on Sundays
- Child discount from 0-5 y.o free, from 6-11 y.o. 50%



HOW TO GET HERE

AIR TRANSPORT

Your plane leaves from Quito's airport (Local Departure) at 07:30 am. (flight time subject to change). A member of our staff will help you with passport, baggage, and travel details. You will proceed to Coca, a short 35-minute flight from Quito. At your return from the lodge your guide will take you to the airport on time to check in and take your flight back to Quito. (Local Departure) at 05:10 pm. We book flights.

BUS TRANSPORT

A bus from "Trans Esmeraldas" leaves from the bus station in Quito, (which is located in Carcelen at the northern zone of Quito at 1 hour from the main city), at 9:30 pm (of day before your trip starts). The trip lasts about 9 hours. Your guide would meet you at La Mision hotel in Coca at 11:40am on the departure day.

ONCE IN COCA

You will be met by an English speaking guide and shuttled from the airport to a waiting motorized canoe at the edge of the Napo River. During your float down the Napo River, enjoy a packed lunch and the opportunity to observe the unique flora and fauna of the area. We will travel down this river for about 3 hours before arriving to a small stream called Challuayacu.

SERVICES



Restaurant | Bar | Guidance | Transportation

Our lodge is attended by It's owners all the time, so profits stays in the community and it helps to improve in healthcare and education!

This in fact, will guarantee that all the visitors have a Real Cultural Experience

ACCOMODATIONS



The lodge itself consists of ten, private, thatch-roofed cabanas and 4 family size cabins, each with a private bathroom. The cabanas are spaciouly designed for double or triple occupancy.

We sell our Camping site to groups of 3 guests or more in 4 Days & 3 Nights visits.

DAY BY DAY ITINERARY

4 DAYS 3 NIGHTS

DAY 1

Your journey starts with a 35-minute flight from Quito at 7:30 am to Coca where the staff will pick you up and transfer to a local hotel located on the banks of Napo River. There, your bilingual guides will explain about safety before embarking for a 2 ½ boat trip on the largest Ecuadorian affluent of the Amazon, the Napo River. During the journey you get a taste of the Amazon; ancestral communities, birds such as: herons, egrets, vultures, while enjoying delicious packed lunch. The canoe ride is followed by a 15 minute walk through flooded forest and 20-minute paddle canoe across our beautiful Lake. The staff will welcome you with refreshing cold drinks and snacks before you settle down in your cabins.

Late afternoon, you will have a short walk on the nearby trails or a canoe ride with many chances to observe primates, Amazonian birds, black caimans and a close encounter with the amazing flora represented by cedar trees, orchids, and bromeliads. Return to the lodge, where our chef will be happy to offer a wide variety of national and international cuisine that caters vegetarians and vegans. Briefing about Amazonia will be given by one of our bilingual guides, while enjoying Ecuadorian beers, spirits and cocktails prepared by our bartender.

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After breakfast, experience the life on the tree tops from the 36 meter (118 ft.) observation tower. To get there your leaders will paddle on our Lake for 30 minutes followed by a short 10-minute walk. Over 565 species of birds have been registered so far, including colorful birds such as macaws, toucans, honeycreepers, tanagers, flycatchers, hummingbirds and with a bit of luck a close view of howler, squirrel monkeys or sloths resting on the canopy.

The tower gives you a unique perspective, opening up a whole new world of Amazon biodiversity that is often difficult, if not impossible to see from the understory. The journey continues exploring the nearby trails searching for more Amazonian creatures. Return to the lodge for lunch.

After lunch there are many alternatives for your enjoyment, bird-watching from the dining hall or simply get relaxed on the hammocks. In the afternoon, hike on our trails, fantastic terra-firme forest to discover the relationships among the different living creatures and the role they play in this complex ecosystem. Orchids, vines, strangler figs, ancient trees; bromeliads are all part of this fabulous tropical rainforest. Dinner at the lodge.

After dinner explore our black-water Oxbow Lake, one of the increasingly rare havens for the endangered black caiman, supporting a healthy population of these large up to 6 meter (18ft.) long south-American crocodilian. Back to the lodge.

DAY 2



DAY 3

Explore the hidden corners of our Lodge in a 7 hour hike on our Largest trail for a close encounter with stunning wildlife represented by woolly monkeys, troops of Squirrel and white fronted capuchin monkeys, parrots, macaws, toucans and with a bit of luck tapirs and even peccaries. Discover the magic world of untouched and virgin forest in a life-time experience. For your total enjoyment lunch will be served in the middle of nowhere, surrounded by tree ferns, ancient kapoks, palms, and tons of magical energy at all levels. Return in the afternoon to the lodge for diner.

After diner take a night walk to see how myriads of insects, spiders and frogs come alive.

DAY 4

After breakfast head back to the Napo River to board the boat and visit the parrot wall at Yasuní National Park for a wonderful view of hundreds of parrots searching for a gap to land and eat the earth. Here you will see Mealy Amazon, Yellow-crowned, Orange-winged and Blue-headed parrots.

Head back to our Community Center to visit a native house to get a taste of how a typical Kichwa family lives. Enjoy their food, drinks, customs, and culture of the community and learn how the lifestyle of the locals is environmentally sustainable. Learn how to make organic chocolate from the Cocoa seed and visit the natural pool where they grow the Cachama typical fish species of the area that you will try later in a typical dish named Maito. Depart on time to get your flight back to Quito at 11:40 am



* The operator reserves the right to change the itinerary without previous notice due to weather, regulations or unforeseeable circumstances.

ADDITIONAL DAYS

THE 5 DAY PROGRAM INCLUDES MORE HIKING AND SAILING IN PADDLE CANOES.

EXTENSIONS 6, 7, 8 DAYS CAN BE ARRANGED UPON REQUEST.





OBSERVATION TOWER

At our 37m (100ft) tree tower, built next to a giant, emergent Kapok tree, one can look out across the rainforest canopy, this gives you a unique perspective, opening up a whole new world of Amazon biodiversity that is often difficult, if not impossible to see. White-throated Toucan, and Bare-necked Fruitcrow, to name just a few, and if you have a little luck, you might even see Red Howler Monkeys asleep in the treetops.



CAIMAN WATCHING

Our black-water Oxbow Lake is one of the increasingly rare havens for the endangered black caiman, supporting a healthy population of these large, up to 4-meter long crocodilians. After the sun sets, these non-aggressive and shy reptiles become active along the water's edge. At night, they can be seen swimming lazily across the lake.



BLOWGUN PRACTICE

Learn how to use this legendary weapon. The blowgun is used by the Kichwa people as a method of hunting monkeys, birds, tapirs and other animals. A liquid that comes from the mixing of plants and animal venom, what the locals call "curare", works as a paralyzing agent on the animals they want to hunt.

ACTIVITIES



NIGHT WALKS

Many animals stay hidden away for most of the day, but at night the forest comes alive with myriad insects and other animals, beyond your wildest imagination, including tree frogs ranging in size from that of your fingernail to the size of your whole hand. A hike through the rainforest at night is an opportunity to discover the mysteries of what happens in the dark, hidden recesses of the forest where few dare to venture.



HIKING

Guided hikes will start after a relaxing canoe ride across our lagoon. We offers various trails depending on your desired level of difficulty. Guided hikes will lead you across muddy swamps on log bridges, through the dense jungle of natural treefall gaps, and beneath the understory shade of pristine, primary rainforest. Along the way you will learn about medicinal plants, taste edible fruits and insects and discover how to weave traditional palm-fiber bags.



YASUNI NATIONAL PARK

See parrots and parakeets from special viewing blinds within camera range! They come here most mornings to eat clay that aids their digestion of unripe seeds and fruits. The nearest blind is just 50-meters from the river. Here you will see mealy Amazon, yellow-crowned, orange-winged and blue-headed parrots among others.



COMMUNITY VISIT

A visit to our community and the Kichwa people provides a unique opportunity to come face to face with the local culture. The women's organization invites you to experience the overlap of traditional Kichwa culture with current everyday life in the community. This is a fascinating insight into the world of the indigenous people and a chance to see, hear, touch and taste some of the aspects of life in the Amazon.

A young monkey with light brown fur and a white face is clinging to a thick, dark tree branch. The monkey is looking towards the camera with large, dark eyes. The background is a soft-focus view of a tropical rainforest with green foliage and tree trunks.

WILDLIFE

According to a recent assessment by a leading group of biologists the Rainforest around our Lodge in North Eastern Ecuador is the most biologically diverse locality in the world. (Yasuni Day, 2008).

For example...2,274 species of trees and bushes have been identified, more than any other area ever studied. 644 species of trees in only one hectare (2.47 acres) have been documented, which is almost as many species of trees as all of the United States and Canada combined! This is also a world record. Over 550 bird species are on the Bird List making it one of the highest lists in the world. 80 species of bats, making our area the second highest number ever registered. 105 species of amphibians. 83 of reptiles which appears to make our area the most diverse ever studied. 64 species of social sting-less bees, also a world record in this group. 100,000 species of insects per hectare, again the greatest number of species of any place ever studied.

BIRD LIST

TARGET BIRDS AT OUR LODGE

White-lored Antpitta	Parker's spinetail
Long-Tailed Potoo	Amazonian Royal Flycatcher
Rufous Potoo	Capped Heron
Crested Owl	Agami Heron
Cocha Antshrike	Rufous-Vented Ground-Cuckoo
Varzea Schiffornis	Paradise Jacamar
Amazonian Umbrella Bird	Ornate Hawk Eagle
Green Ibis	Olive Oropendola
Roseate spoon bill (Dec-April)	And much more...

BIRDS THAT WE NORMALLY SEE

Great Potoo	Snail Kite
Straited Heron	Lined forest-Falcon
Rufescent tiger-Heron	Bat Falcon
Least Bittern	Scarlet Macaws
Cocoi Heron	Wattled Jacana
Limpkin	Sungrebe
Slate-Colored Hawk	Blue and yellow Macaws
Crane Hawk	And much more...

COMMUNITY PROJECT



SUPPORT COMMUNITY!

WE KNOW THAT SOMETIMES YOU'LL LOVE TO SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY IN ANOTHER WAY, NOT ONLY BY COMING TO VISIT LODGE, AND KNOW THAT YOUR FUNDS WILL REACH THE COMMUNITY DIRECTLY COULD BE OF GREAT HELP.

IF YOU WANT TO MAKE A DONATION TO THE COMMUNITY TO SUPPORT THEIR PROJECTS IN EDUCATION, HEALTHCARE AND SUSTAINABILITY. THE COMMUNITY HAS AN ACCOUNT HOLT AND MANAGED FOR THEIR LEADERS AND REPRESENTATIVES, SO YOU CAN BE SURE YOUR DONATIONS WILL REACH THEM DIRECTLY.



+ BENEFITS FOR THE COMMUNITY
+ HEALTHCARE
+ EDUCATION