

Ecuador 10 Days (Extend to Galapagos Islands)

Quito 1nts, Quito 3nts, Riobamba 1nts, Cuenca 2nts, Guayaquil 1nts, Guayaquil 1nts

Itinerary Brief:

Explore the magic on the Amazon jungle, stand in the breath taking Andes mountains, relax in the warm Pacific Ocean, or even visit the legendary Galapagos Islands.

Daywise Itinerary:

Day 01 UK - QUITO

Board the flight from UK to Quito (Spanish pronunciation: kito), formally San Francisco de Quito, is the capital city of Ecuador, and at an elevation of 9,350 feet (2,800 meters above sea level). Overnight in Quito.

[x] Breakfast [x] Lunch [Y] Dinner

Day 02 QUITO

On arrival, you will be transferred to your hotel. Rest of the day at leisure to acclimatise to the high altitude. Overnight in Quito.

[x] Breakfast [x] Lunch [Y] Indian Dinner

Day 03 QUITO - CITY TOUR - MITAD DEL MONDO ECUATOR

Today enjoy a full day tour to explore the many places of interest in Quito. Visit Plaza de la Independencia, known locally as the Plaza Grande, this garden-graced square is dominated by La Catedral Metropolitana (Metropolitan Cathedral). At the center of the plaza is a bronze and marble monument celebrating Ecuador's first declaration of independence against its Spanish rulers. Plus the Basilica Church and San Francisco Church, built in the 17th century. Time permitting you can enjoy an optional tour by going up the Quito's Skyrail - Teleferico and have a splendid view of the surrounding mountains. Overnight in Quito.

[Y] Breakfast [x] Lunch [Y] Indian Dinner

Day 04 QUITO - OTAVALO - COTOPAXI

This morning you visit the animal market and the colourful Ponchos Market one of the most famous markets in Sudamerica. Here you'll find handmade handicrafts from all over Ecuador, in addition you'll be able to share some time with this ancestral community and get to know a little bit more about their culture. After lunch you'll drive to the valley of Cotacachi, famous due to its various leather items from small money keepers till high fashion jackets and shoes. After the short stop in the town you'll advance to Cayapas Reserve, which is crowned by the inactive volcano Cotacachi where the crater holds the mystic Cuicocha lagoon. Some activities can be done in this magical place, maybe a short hike or a boat ride around the two islets nested into the lagoon. When sunset arrives you'll leave the warmth of the valley and will be driven south where the Andean mountain chain and its majestic hills dominate the all landscape which will accompany during the following days.

[Y] Breakfast [Y] Lunch [Y] Dinner

Day 05 COTOPAXI - INDIGENIOUS MARKET - CHIMBORAZO - RIOBAMBA

You start this day early in the morning, first you visit one of the local indigenous markets like Pujilí, Saquisilí or Zumbahua (markets have operational days). You walk around the market to discover new fruits and vegetables which are trade with any kind of products even small animals like chickens or the famous guinea pig or cuy. Back to the bus to take the road, when you're starting to feel surrounded by fog and it gets colder, you'll be arriving to the highest mountain in the country, and the closest point from earth to the space, Chimborazo volcano. This inactive volcano is ideal to practice mountain climbing so if you're an adventure lover you'll be able to do a short hike to the glaciers of the mountain. Once the visit is over, you'll continue to the historical city of Riobamba



where you spend the night.

[Y] Breakfast [Y] Lunch [Y] Dinner



Day 06 TRAIN RIDE "DEVILS NOSE" - INGAPIRCA - CUENCA

Today you'll travel on board an art of engineering, known as one of the most difficult rail roads in the world, the Devil's Nose train ride criss-cross the Andean mountains. On the way down you'll descent 800m in zig zag over the rocky surface, this difficult way gives the ride its name, which is allusive to the devil and it has made it one of the most important touristic attractions. After the route of almost 2 hours, your transport will pick you up from Alausi train station and drive you to Ingapirca archaeological ruins; this complex was an important religious center and today is the standing proof of the Andean ancient society's development, such us the Cañaris and the Incas. At the end of the day you'll arrive at the city of Cuenca for overnight stay.

[Y] Breakfast [Y] Lunch [Y] Indian Dinner

Day 07 CUENCA - CITY TOUR - PANAMA HATS FACTORY

Enjoy of a day in the lovely city of Cuenca, walking through its old and narrow streets will bring you back to the times of the Spaniard colony filled with art and legends. Our guide will accompany you during the city tour which includes a visit to the straw hat factory, known as Panama hats. During the afternoon you'll have free time to get in touch with the city and its habitats, enjoy an Ecuadorian chocolate or coffee in one of the cozy bars and restaurants the city has to offer.

[Y] Breakfast [Y] Lunch [Y] Dinner

Day 08 CUENCA - CAJAS NATIONAL PARK - GUAYAQUIL

Leaving Cuenca on the way to the Coast region you'll pass through Cajas National Park. This park shows a complex lake system and an enchanted forest filled with polylepis know as "Paper Tree" ideal scenario to do some trekking where you'll overview the flora and fauna natives of the area. Afterwards you'll continue to the Coast and will witness the change of environments from the paramo to the Coast to finally arrive to the cosmopolitan city of Guayaquil. Guayaquil is one of the largest cities and the most important commercial port of Ecuador which makes it an ideal spot for shopping and night life. Our guide will drive you around the city where Las Peñas hill and its particular colourful houses will catch your eye. At the end we recommend you to farewell the city with a delicious dinner in one of the traditional restaurants.

[Y] Breakfast [Y] Lunch [Y] Dinner

Day 09 GUAYAQUIL - QUITO - UK

Depending on the flight time we catch our flight from Guayaquil to Quito to connect your return flight back to UK. Or alternative extend your tour for 3 nights to Galapagos.

[Y] Breakfast [x] Lunch [x] Dinner

Day 10 UK

Arrive UK



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Departures:

2018 Tour Departures:	
October	28
November	18

Tour Cost:

Departures: 28/10/2018, 18/11/2018

Title: Ex. London

Passengers	Rates		Sharing
	With Flight From UK	Without Flight	
	GBP	GBP	
Per Adult	2,350.00	1,750.00	Twin Room
Per Adult	2,350.00	1,750.00	Double Room
Per Adult	2,350.00	1,750.00	Triple Room
Child 2-11YRS	1,850.00	1,350.00	1st Child(with Bed) when 2 adults paying
Child 2-11YRS	1,650.00	1,150.00	2nd Child(without Bed) when 2 adults paying
Infant 0-23 Months	800.00	600.00	Infant
Per Adult	2,750.00	2,150.00	Single Room

Travel Mode:

From	Via	To	By
UK		Quito	Flight
Quito		Riobamba	Coach
Riobamba		Alausi	Train
Alausi	Ingapirca	Cuenca	Coach
Cuenca		Guayaquil	Coach
Guayaquil	Quito	UK	Flight

Inclusions:

- * All nights in 3* / 4* star hotels with breakfast
- * Meal plans as indicated in the itinerary
- * Entrances to sightseeing's and excursions as per the itinerary
- * Tips to guides and drivers included
- * All transportation in executive coaches, cruise liners, trains and some places in A/C Cars
- * Premium services of Bi-lingual Tour Director / Escort / Leader / Manager (when minimum numbers of passengers reached)
- * Services of local tour guides
- * Return flights from one of these airports depending on availability of flights: London Heathrow / Gatwick / Stanstead / Luton / London City Airport

Exclusions:

- * Travel insurance
- * Visa charges
- * Items of personal nature viz. telephone calls, drinks (beverages), laundry, other meals, potter service, other personal expenses, etc..
- * Any cost of beverages, alcohols with the set meals.
- * Other services not listed in inclusive item & the itinerary





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Any extensions, may incur a supplement charges too. Price includes the current fuel supplement.

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