

Napo Wildlife Center

Cultural and Anventure 8 days / 7 nights

Napo Wildlife Center is recognized as the most successful community tourism project in Ecuador. Since its inception, it has demonstrated that sustainable tourism can be a powerful tool for conservation and social development. Our approach combines biodiversity protection with the empowerment of the Kichwa Añangu community, who lead all lodge operations.

Each visit to Napo Wildlife Center directly supports initiatives that strengthen the local community. Our education, health, and economic development programs have significantly improved the quality of life for its members, proving that it is possible to create real positive impact while preserving one of the world's most important ecosystems.









After a rewarding 30-minute flight over the eastern Andean mountain range to reach the city of Puerto Francisco Orellana "El Coca," followed by a 10-minute transfer in private transportation, we will welcome you at our private dock. Here, you will have the opportunity to take a break, use the restrooms, enjoy a refreshing drink, and receive a boxed lunch for the journey.

From this point, an exciting two-hour journey begins along the imposing Napo River on our covered motorized boats to the welcome area of the Napo Wildlife Center. At this location, we will switch to one of our rowing canoes, with our staff taking care of paddling while you enjoy a magical and tranquil ride through a narrow creek that leads us to the lodge located at the foot of a beautiful lagoon.

During this approximately two-hour journey, there is the possibility of observing some

monkey and bird species such as toucans, parrots, and even macaws. Upon arriving in the afternoon at the Napo Wildlife Center, we will be greeted with an impressive view of the Añangucocha lagoon. Upon our arrival, you will be welcomed with a refreshing drink and snacks, followed by a brief informative session about your stay with us by the administrator. Then, he will guide you to your comfortable room overlooking the jungle.

In the evening, one of our guides will provide a comprehensive explanation of the activities to be carried out over the following days while you enjoy exclusive access to Yasuní National Park offered by community-managed projects.

Meals: -/Box Lunch/Dinner





The day begins early as we head towards the most accessible parrot salt licks in Ecuador, located approximately an hour and a half from the lodge. Guests arrive just before the start of the morning parrot activity. Here, up to five species of parrots, parakeets, and macaws can be spotted, including the blue-headed parrot, orange-cheeked parrot, yellow-crowned parrot, dusky-headed parakeet, and white-eyed parakeet.

Subsequently, we venture along a forest trail to visit the Kichwa Interpretation Center "Kuri Muyu," managed by the women of the local community. Here, visitors have the opportunity to immerse themselves in Kichwa culture, learning about their music, traditions, and traditional use of natural resources. Additionally, you can explore the craft shop, where local residents display and sell their unique creations, thereby supporting their creativity and work.

We continue our excursion through a lush terra firme forest for about 30 minutes until we reach the second parrot, parakeet, and macaw salt lick. If weather conditions are favorable, we will also have the opportunity to observe different species of birds and mammals.

After enjoying a revitalizing lunch, we begin our return to the lodge via the main creek, where there is the possibility of observing various species of birds and mammals.

A delicious dinner awaits you in the evening.

Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner





After enjoying a delicious breakfast at the lodge, we will embark on an exciting dawn walk to the observation tower in the forest canopy, located in the influence area of the Napo River. The observation tower, standing at 36 meters tall, is just 30 minutes away from the lodge and was built to the highest standards of quality and safety.

During the ascent of the tower's 12 floors, visitors will have the wonderful opportunity to contemplate the tropical forest canopy and its diverse levels teeming with fantastic biodiversity. Upon reaching the top, they will reach a platform in the crown of an imposing Ceibo tree, from where they can enjoy an exceptional landscape.

From this elevated position, visitors can observe flocks of colorful tanagers, macaws, toucans, monkeys, and other species active in the early hours of the morning. This unique experience allows one to delight in wildlife from the treetops, providing a privileged view of the Amazon rainforest.

Our tower offers the best experience in the Ecuadorian Amazon: flocks of colorful

tanagers crisscross the canopy, blue and yellow macaws fly close by, while spider monkeys forage for fruits. Two species of large toucans call in the early mornings and evenings, and life in the forest canopy unfolds before your eyes. Birds, practically invisible from the forest floor, suddenly are within your reach.

After enjoying lunch at the lodge, we will explore a terra firme forest in the afternoon. We will walk through lush primary vegetation in search of varied fauna, with the thrilling possibility of encountering the unique and endemic Golden-mantled Tamarin monkeys. After the hike, we will explore the nearby lake and streams in a canoe, with high hopes of spotting a family of giant otters on our journey.

At the lodge, you will also find a second observation tower above the restaurant, from where you can enjoy a beautiful view of the lagoon and its surroundings. After dinner, prepare with your flashlight for a night hike. During this walk, you will have the opportunity to observe a wide variety of insects, reptiles, and amphibians, and even a species of nocturnal monkey.





Day 4

This morning, we will venture onto one of the designated trails to explore the terra firme forests and swamp forests in search of more wildlife. You'll have the opportunity to spot golden-mantled tamarins, white-fronted capuchin monkeys, two-toed and three-toed sloths, squirrel monkeys, and much more. After this exciting hike, we will return to the eco-lodge to enjoy a delicious lunch and take a well-deserved rest.

In the afternoon, the rowing canoes will take us to explore deeper areas in the surrounding streams, where you will have even more opportunities to spot unique wildlife. Rowing canoe rides will allow you to immerse yourself in the authenticity of the Amazon, exploring fascinating ecosystems and observing the rich biodiversity of the region. Enjoy our lodge, which offers you a unique experience in the midst of the Ecuadorian Amazon jungle. From the comfort of our facilities, you can immerse yourself in the lush biodiversity of the region while enjoying the serenity of the surroundings.

Meals: Breakfast/Lunch/Dinner





Day 5

Today, we venture to the Pañacocha lagoon, located on the other side of the Napo River. It promises to be a day full of fun exploring the natural wonders and wildlife of this area, and if we're lucky, there's a chance to see pink dolphins!

We depart from the lodge in the morning and navigate through a magnificent stream, where there is always something magical to discover. As we approach Pañacocha, on a journey that takes approximately 90 minutes, we will begin to see various Amazon jungle animals.

Upon arrival, guests will receive an orientation about the area and a boxed lunch to enjoy in the canoe or at the facilities of a nearby lodge, where guests can use the restaurant and bathrooms. In this area, we will observe the Igapó Forest, with the possibility of spotting macaws, sloths, squirrel monkeys, black-mantled titi monkeys, capuchin monkeys, anacondas, and many other species. The flora in this area includes the coral tree, palm tree, and others.

Return to Napo Wildlife Center in the afternoon, where, after enjoying a delicious dinner prepared by the chefs, a night walk will be conducted along the forest trails to discover how life in the jungle continues during the night.





Day 6

Today we will visit the "Kichwa Añangu Community," where we will have the opportunity to interact with local people and learn about their culture and way of life. We will also visit the school and communal areas, as well as one of their homes, where a Kichwa family will welcome us and talk to us about their culture and traditions.

Additionally, we will learn about how the community has progressed in recent years, improving education and healthcare. Lunch will be served at the Napo Cultural Center, a project also managed by the same community.

In the afternoon, we will walk to the observation tower, 40 meters high, located just a few meters from the lodge. Here, we will be able to spot different species of birds from the terra firme.

Finally, we will return to the lodge to enjoy a delicious dinner.



Day 7

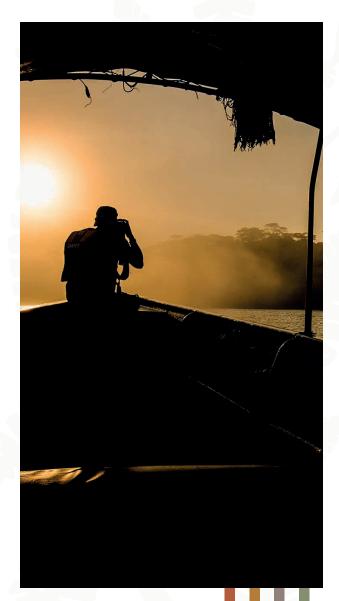
Enjoying a hike along the Tiputini Trail is immersing oneself in the lush biodiversity of the Amazon, an experience that captivates with its natural richness and the possibility of witnessing wildlife in its natural habitat. This adventure of approximately 5 to 6 hours is more than just a hike; it is an immersion into the magic of the tropical rainforest.

The journey begins at the trail entrance, where a warm welcome is received, and instructions about the route and precautions to be taken are provided. Local guides, experts in the fauna and flora of the region, accompany the adventurers, sharing their knowledge and guiding them through the wonderful jungle.

The Tiputini Trail delves into dense terra firme forests, where the majesty of ancient trees and the symphony of sounds of tropical birds can be appreciated. Here, participants immerse themselves in the vastness of greenery and can identify unique plants and learn about their ecological importance.

The real magic begins when various species of mammals are spotted. Golden-mantled tamarins play among the branches, capuchin and squirrel monkeys curiously explore, while sloths rest in the heights. Guides point out subtle signs of the presence of these animals, such as footprints and traces on the ground, providing a comprehensive insight into wildlife.





Day 8

We will depart early to return to the welcome area and change transportation to the motorboat. During our journey along the Añangu stream, we will enjoy the morning sounds of nature as the sunrise illuminates the landscape.

Afterwards, we will transfer to the motorized boat to return to Coca. Upon arrival, we will proceed with the check-in for our return flight to Quito. The schedule for this flight will be announced according to arrangements and itineraries provided by the airline.

NOTICE: For safety reasons, swimming in the Añangucocha Lagoon is strictly prohibited.

NOTE: This itinerary serves as a sample and is subject to changes due to weather conditions, logistical reasons, the safety of our guests and staff, regulations of the Yasuní National Park, as well as the particular interests of the guests. Changes and additions may be made to optimize wildlife observation, cultural interactions with the local population, and overall

Meals: Box Breakfast/-/-



INCLUDED

- River transportation Coca Napo Wildlife Center Coca
- Accommodation in Napo Wildlife Center
- All meals as per detailed itinerary
- Entrance to Yasuni National Park and parrot clay licks
- Community guide and naturalist bilingual guide
- Rain poncho and rubber boots
- All excursions and activities as per detailed itinerary
- Internet

NOT INCLUDED

- AIR TICKETS QUITO COCA QUITO USD 256 per adult (from 12 years old) USD 205 per child (up to 11 years old) The rate includes assistance at both airports and transfer from Coca's airport to our private dock.
- Rates are subject to change without prior notice.
- Tips, personal expenses, and other unspecified services.



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