

Amazon

# Ecuador Extension



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## Ecuador's Yasuni National Park

Extend your time in Ecuador with a stay at Napo Wildlife Center. This four day extension in the Ecuadorian Amazon includes canoe trips along lakes and rivers, forest excursions and fantastic birding opportunities. Paddle a canoe and walk through rainforests teeming with life. Get a close up view of the Amazon wildlife in the Yasuni National Park, a sacred land considered one of the most diverse areas on the planet.

## DAY 1

### COCA

- Observe local communities and indigenous people along the Rio Napo • Arrive to your eco lodge by dugout-canoe

A scenic 30-minute flight from Quito to Coca over the eastern Andes mountain range begins your journey to the Amazon. From the port of Rio Napo, you board our motor boat and travel down the river for approximately two hours. Along the way, you can spot wildlife and will pass many indigenous communities. After arriving at Napo Wildlife Center, you take a magical and peaceful two-hour dugout-canoe ride along a narrow creek that connects to the lake where the lodge is located. On this leg of your journey, you'll have great opportunities to spot wildlife, including various species of monkeys as well as large birds such as toucans, parrots or even macaws. In the late afternoon, you arrive at the lodge.

**Overnight:** Yasuni National Park

**Meals:** L, D

## DAY 2

### AÑANGU

- See thousands of parakeets descending upon a clay lick • Participate in a traditional dance at the Añangu Kichwa community

Your morning begins with a scenic paddle downstream to the parakeets' clay lick. Here, thousands of cobalt-winged parakeets perch on branches above and descend to the clay licks below. The salt and minerals found in the clay are essential for their digestion, therefore the birds make this a daily practice. In the afternoon, you visit the interpretation area to see the traditions of the ancestral Kichwa community of Añangu and learn about their daily life. You have a chance to taste chicha and learn a traditional dance.

**Overnight:** Yasuni National Park

**Meals:** B, L, D

## DAY 3

### CANOPY TOWER / TERRA-FIRME FOREST

- Observe hundreds of species of birds from above the forest canopy • Walk through the terra-firme forest for an education on the jungle's plants

After a buffet breakfast, experience the life above the forest floor by visiting the 36-meter canopy tower. This tower is located about 30 minutes from the lodge and deep within the forest. Here, you get a very good sample of the 567 species recorded so far, with a close look at colorful tanagers, macaws, toucans, flycatchers and even spider or howler monkeys feeding in the nearby trees. After lunch at the lodge, enjoy some free time or perhaps rest in a hammock. Late afternoon, you regroup for a hike through a marvelous terra-firme forest to discover the ecology and the role of plants in the complex world of the tropical rainforest: vines, ancient trees, bromeliads, orchids stand out in this impressive natural garden.

**Overnight:** Yasuni National Park

**Meals:** B, L, D

## DAY 4

### RETURN TO QUITO

- Canoe the Napo River • Afternoon flight arrival in Quito

After an early breakfast, the last excursion canoeing back to the Napo River reveals new sights of giant otters, Monk Saki monkeys, hoatzins, black-capped donacobius, or other birds. Your motorized boat will return you to Coca, for your return flight to Quito. Enjoy a relaxing afternoon and evening in Quito at your leisure.

**Overnight:** Quito

**Meals:** B

## DAY 5

### QUITO / GALÁPAGOS

- Transfer seamlessly to the Galápagos

With incredible memories of the Ecuadorian Amazon, you transfer to the airport for your flight to the Galápagos.

Meals: B



## Tour Hotels



### **Napo Wildlife Center**

The most luxurious lodge in Ecuador's Amazon, the Napo Wildlife Center is composed of 16 private cabanas overlooking Añangu Lake. Keep an eye out for wildlife atop the lodge's main tower or spend an afternoon relaxing in a hammock on your cabana's porch.

**OVERNIGHT:** Yasuni National Park | **NIGHTS:** 3



### **Wyndham Quito Airport**

Surrounded by mountains, this hotel is adjacent to Quito airport and is furnished with a minimalist contemporary style.

**OVERNIGHT:** Quito | **NIGHTS:** 1



## Tour Dates & Prices

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## Trip Essentials

<b>TRIP LENGTH</b>	5 Days, 4 Nights
<b>START</b>	Coca Airport, Coca, Ecuador
<b>END</b>	Lobby of Wyndham Quito Hotel, Quito, Ecuador
<b>TERRAIN</b>	Easy to moderate on good trails and jungle paths.

## What's Included

- All breakfasts, 3 lunches and 3 dinners
- Guided activities on a sharing basis
- Admissions to historic sites and scheduled events as detailed in the daily itinerary
- Gratuities for hotels, meals and baggage
- Domestic round-trip flights from Quito
- All land transportation during the trip

## Above & Beyond Benefits

- Privileged Access Events

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*Franklin*  
President & Founder



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-Kevin G.,