

Ecuador

A La Carte Land Modules



QUITO

3 days/2 nights from \$139

The capital of Ecuador has a setting that few cities can match. During the 13th century it was the prosperous center of the Kingdom of Quito. It later became the northern capital of the Inca Empire. In the 16th and 17th centuries, Colonial architects built formidable temples, monasteries and mansions, creating an urban jewel designated by UNESCO as a World Cultural Heritage Site. A visit to the Middle of the World, the very center of the earth, at latitude 0° is a must.

Day 1: Meeting at the airport and transfer to your hotel.

Day 2: Quito & The Center Of The World – Today's half-day tour includes a stroll downtown starting at the Independence Plaza, the Presidential Palace, the Municipal Building and the Archbishop's Palace. Visit the Church of La Compañía de Jesús. Continue to the Church of San Francisco. Then continue to the Equatorial Monument, which marks the exact Middle of the World, latitude 0°, where you can stand with a foot on each hemisphere. Overnight at hotel in Quito. (B)

Day 3: Transfer from your hotel to the airport. (B)

Rates are per person including breakfast daily.

Hotels	PACKAGE		EXTRA NIGHTS	
	Double	Single	Double	Single
Dann Carlton	139	219	40	80
Hilton Colon	179	309	63	125
Jw Marriott	199	339	78	157
Swissotel	239	379	89	160

GUAYAQUIL

2 days/1 night from \$109

Guayaquil is Ecuador's largest city, natural port and the country's financial and commercial center. The people of Guayaquil are outgoing and open, they enjoy their city and are fiercely proud of their heritage. It is not surprising to hear the drama of Guayas, a brave indigenous leader, who in his desperation to avoid falling into the hands of the Spanish conquerors, decided to kill his wife, Quil, before drowning himself in the waters of the river. Their names were joined; a city was baptized.

Day 1: Meeting at the airport and transfer to your hotel.

Day 2: Half day City Tour of Guayaquil begins along the main avenue of Guayaquil, the heart of the business district of the city. A stop is made at Bolívar Park, also called "the park of the iguanas", as they roam around the park undisturbed and perch on the treetops. Then stroll along Guayaquil's ravishing Malecon 2000, 1.5 mile waterfront, running parallel to the River Guayas and featuring historical, cultural and entertainment areas. Transfer from your hotel to the airport. (B)

Rates are per person including breakfast daily.

Hotels	PACKAGE		EXTRA NIGHTS	
	Double	Single	Double	Single
Hampton Inn	109	159	47	94
Oro Verde	129	189	64	123
Four Points Sheraton	149	209	83	141
Hilton Colon	159	229	93	165

OTAVALO

2 days/1 night from \$419

To the north of Quito, the province of Imbabura is one of the most popular destinations in Ecuador: A magical land of lakes, snow-covered mountains and terraced farmlands. For centuries, regional markets have played an important role in Indian life, providing regular gathering places for trade and socializing. The Otavalo Indian market dates back to pre-Inca times and is famous for its textiles woven on backstop and shuttle looms.

Day 1: Departure from Quito on a trip through brilliant scenery and artisan villages. Continue along the valleys of Guayllabamba and Cayambe, with their dairy farms and rose plantations. Arrive at lunchtime to one of the charming country inns or colonial haciendas where you will spend the night. Visit the town of San Antonio de Ibarra, famous for the woodcarvings, the town of Cotacachi, an entire town dedicated to selling fine leather products, and the town of Peguche where textiles are woven in old-fashioned shuttle looms. Overnight at Hacienda Cusin or Pinsaqui. (L,D)

Day 2: After a hearty country breakfast, visit the market of Otavalo, piled high with ponchos, woolen goods, tapestries, the original "Panama" hat, sweaters, Indian jewelry and many handicrafts. Return to Quito. (B,L)

Rates are per person including all meals.

Hotels	PACKAGE		EXTRA NIGHTS	
	Double	Single	Double	Single
Cusin or Pinsaqui	419	669	72	109

THE CHIVA EXPRESS – QUITO/RIOBAMABA/CUENCA

3 days/2 nights from \$739

Day 1: Tuesday or Saturday - Transfer to the old train station of Quito to start the adventure. The one car "Chiva Express" resembles a bus on metal wheels along the train tracks. One of the highlights of the trip is to "ride the roof" with a panoramic view of the stunning Andean region of Ecuador. Voyage along the "Avenue of the Volcanoes". Visit an Indian market. After lunch, continue toward the impressive mount Chimborazo and visit an Indian hut. Continue on to Riobamba for a short visit of the city. Dinner and overnight in Riobamba. (L,D)

Day 2: Wednesday or Sunday – After breakfast, transfer to the train station to board the Chiva Express for a scenic ride to Alausí. Twist and turn over the Andes, tunneling through rocky impasses, bridging ravines and river gorges. Disembark in Alausí, and board the motorcar to continue the trip by road along the Andes towards the south. Visit the Inca Ruins of Ingapirca. Box lunch en-route. Continue to Cuenca for overnight. (B,L,D)

Day 3: Thursday or Monday - Cuenca is Ecuador's third largest city and a World Cultural Heritage Site. It retains its pleasant provincial air with its red tiled roofs, cobblestone streets, flowery plazas and museums. Today's walking tour in the colonial downtown area of Cuenca, is an opportunity to enjoy the warmth and hospitality of its people, the colorful parks and plazas, religious monuments and handcraft shops. Transfer to airport to for your flight back to Quito. (B,L)

Rates are per person including all meals.

Hotels	PACKAGE		EXTRA NIGHTS	
	Double	Single	Double	Single
Oro Verde	739	889	49	90
Mansion de Alcazar	879	1059	66	84
Santa Lucia	959	1199	43	71

Note: Operates Tuesdays and Saturdays only



GALAPAGOS ISLANDS - FINCH BAY HOTEL

4 days/3 nights from \$729



Located amid superb natural beauty the this Eco-Hotel situated directly on the beach is the perfect complement to your Galápagos Expedition. Ideal for the adventure seeker, the nature lover, family or traveler looking for a beautiful place to relax, the Finch Bay is designed for you to make the most of your Galapagos experience. Hotel facilities and activities include a pool, Jacuzzi, kayaking, snorkeling, and bicycles

Included Features:

- Transfers Baltra airport/hotel
- 3 nights hotel accommodations with all meals
- 2 full-day yacht excursions to the Galapagos Islands
- Guided visit to Charles Darwin Research Station
- Guided Visit to Los Gemelos
- Hotel taxes

Not Included : Air ticket to/from Galápagos and \$100 Galapagos National Park Fee.

Rates are per person including all meals.

Hotels	PACKAGE		EXTRA NIGHTS	
	Double	Single	Double	Single
Finch Bay	729	949	119	238

Note: Galapagos National Park entrance fee additional \$100 per person. Does not include Airfare

AMAZON RAINFOREST KAPAWI ECO LODGE

4 days/3 nights from \$889



Day 1: Fri – Quito-Kapawi – Depart from Quito via flight to the landing strip at the Kapawi community. Continue by a motorized canoe ride through the Capahuari River to the lodge. During the ride passengers can appreciate part of the wonderful nature and ecosystem of the Amazon including some species of animals such as birds, dolphins and butterflies. Overnight at the Kapawi Eco Lodge. (L,D)

Day 2 & 3: Sat & Sun - Kapawi – During your stay at Kapawi activities include visits to the Achuar communities, where you can spend a day with the Achuar families, hikes in the rain forest, canoeing in rivers and lakes, swimming, watching piranhas, pink dolphins, caimans and other animals of the area, as well as bird watching, where there are 480 species. (B,L,D)

Day 4: Mon – Kapawi – Avenue of the Volcanoes – Quito – Today's return to Quito begins with a 20-minute canoe trip to the Community, where you board a plane for the approximately 50-minute flight to Shell. Then, the journey continues by land through the Avenue of the Volcanoes were passengers see the Cotopaxi, Illinizas and Chimborazo volcanoes. (B)

Rates are per person including all meals.

Hotels	PACKAGE	
	Double	Single
Kapawi Lodge	889	1139

Note: Achuar community fee \$10 per person to be paid locally 3 night package Fri-Mon