

ALKI TOURS PRESENTS
The Amazon, Ecuador and cruise the Ga-
lapagos during peak season-
ON SALE!

November 1st-11th, 2012/ 11 Days

TOUR PRICE:
\$3799.00

PER PERSON/DO

INCLUDES ROUND TRIP
AIRFARE
OUTSIDE CABIN ON
CRUISE

SINGLE SUPPLEMENT
STARTING AT: \$1000
BALCONY: \$850

AIRLINE TAXES: \$175.56
FUEL SURCHARGE: \$325

TRIP REGISTRATION

To register, contact Alki Tours at

(206)935-6848 or
1(800)895-2554

A deposit of \$500.00 per person is due 2 weeks after making the reservation to confirm your space. The balance is due 90 days prior to the trip's departure. Or register at www.alkitours.com

Please make checks payable to:

Alki Tours, 6417A Fautleroy
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Here's How Your Trip Will Unfold...

November 1st, 2012 Seattle to Quito Ecuador

Our fabulous holiday begins as we pick you up from your Seattle area home and take you to SeaTac Airport for our international flight to Quito Ecuador. Welcome to Quito, Ecuador- World Cultural Heritage, UNESCO, 1978. Explore the bustling streets and squares of the largest historical old town in the Americas. Upon arrival, we'll take you to our lovely hotel.

Meals: In flight international meals

November 2nd, 2012 Quito Amazon

In the morning after breakfast, transfer to the airport. A 30 minute flight over the Andes Mountains leads you to a bustling oil town called Coca located in the Amazon Basin. A quick lunch in Sacha's private house and then its off to the town docks where you will board Sacha's private canoes for the 2 hour journey down river to Sacha's Lodges property. A 30 minute hike through the rainforest leads you to lake Pilchicocha. Here, you are met by native workers to paddle you across the lake to your final destination.

Arrive at Sacha Lodge around 3:00 or 3:30 pm. Swim in Lake Pilchicocha, which is a black water lake home



to many species of fish and animals. A refreshing swim after arriving may be just what you need after being in the equatorial heat all day. Bird observing from the mini tower offers guests an excellent opportunity to view several species of birds common around the lodge. Also a great place to watch the sun set.



Visit the butterfly house with your naturalist guide to view the beautiful colors of many different species of butterflies. After dinner, accompany your naturalist guide on a night walk through the rainforest to view the hundreds of different species of animals that can only be found at night. Or maybe a canoe ride on the lake to view the spectacled and black caimans with their glowing orange eyes as you silently paddle across the lake to get a closer view.

Meals: Breakfast

November 3rd, 2012 Sacha Lodge

Begin walking on trail Liana Chica and arrive at the canopy walk, for spectacular views of the rainforest canopy and the many different species of vibrantly colored birds. Designed to be a self-standing rigid suspension canopy walk. It is one of only a few in the world! Located within Sacha's private reserve,

Trip Includes:

- ◆ Round-trip transfer from your Seattle area home to Sea Tac airport
 - ◆ Round-trip airfare from Seattle to Quito Ecuador
 - ◆ Deluxe motorcoach transportation
 - ◆ 2 Internal round-trip flights
 - ◆ First Class Hotel
- Accommodations:
- 4 Nights Quito
 - 3 Nights Sacha Lodge
- ◆ 3 Nights Galapagos Legend
- Meals:**
- 7 Breakfast
 - 3 Lunch
 - 3 Dinner
- All meals on ship
- ◆ Accommodation in outside cabin with private bathroom.
 - ◆ Daily visits to the islands with English/Spanish-speaking guide.
 - ◆ Briefings and lectures on board.
 - ◆ Transfers to/from the Islands from/to the ship.
 - ◆ Galapagos Migration Control Card
 - ◆ Fully escorted and narrated

NOT INCLUDED:

- ◆ International Departure Tax: \$40.80 per person
- ◆ Galapagos National Park Tax: \$100.00
- ◆ Snorkeling equipment
- ◆ Wet Suits
- ◆ Alcoholic and non alcoholic beverages
- ◆ Gratuity & personal expenses

More than 90 days prior to departure:

Full Refund

89-60 days prior to departure date:

75% Refund

59-41 days prior to departure date:

50% Refund

40-31 days prior to departure:

25% Refund

30 days or fewer prior to departure:

No Refund

There can be no refund for any unused portion of this tour once the tour has started

TRAVEL INSURANCE

Information regarding a variety of travel insurance policies are available upon request. We recommend that sufficient insurance be purchased to cover the possibility of lost or damaged baggage, accidents or illness.

2miles from the shores of the Rio Napo and 1 mile from the lodge, the bird walk gives guests the opportunity to get an up close and personal view of the rainforest canopy. Two of



the three towers have observation decks every 12 meters making towers accessible for everyone. The canopy walkway is at 36 meters high and 275 meters long, giving guests a “birds eye view” of all the wonders and beauty the tropical rainforest has to offer. The canopy walk is designed as a sturdy walkway enabling guests to casually move along while enjoying the spectacular views. After the canopy walk, Liana Grande through terra firma and igapo forest habitats where native guides will explain many different species of medicinal plants that have been being used in their culture for hundreds of years. Liana Grande will turn into the trail Higueron, which will take you through pristine primary forest with huge Kapok and Fig trees towering hundreds of feet above your head. Higueron will



eventually lead to the Finca where an excellent lunch prepared especially for long day trips, will be served while you listen to the many species of birds around the Finca and enjoy the coolness of the covered picnic tables.

From the Finca, you may choose to take a leisurely hike along the Rio Napo, or choose a little more challenging hike on the trail Leoncillo to try and spot the elusive dusky titi monkey. Either way the trails will lead you back to the main boardwalk for your final hike and canoe ride back to the lodge.



Meals: Boxed Lunch

November 4th, 2012 Lagartococha

This trail offers you the chance to learn more about the native people and their

relationship with the forest. Learn about the trees where native people believe the spirits of their ancestors live, and the mysterious “dwende” or devil-man of the forest. After arriving at lake Lagartococha, take a tranquil canoe ride through a natural swamp, which is the home of anacondas, caimans, and capybaras. After the canoe ride, a walk on the other side of Lagartococha may give you the opportunity to spot capuchin or squirrel monkeys playfully jumping through the trees. Return from the walk or canoe ride and head back to the lodge for a refreshing dip in the lake, or a nice



relaxing nap in your personal hammock on your private balcony.

After lunch, your native guide will teach you how to fish for the infamous razor-toothed piranha.

Keep in mind that piranhas will never attack a person and swimming at the same time is perfectly safe and fun! Around 4:00



you will begin what many think is the best trail at Sacha, a silent canoe ride through the flooded Amazonian forest. Where you have a good chance of being surrounded by troops of squirrel, capuchin, and howler monkeys. Keep your eyes peeled for the shy and elusive river otter as well as the incredibly well camouflaged three-toed sloth! After your eye-popping ride through the flooded forest, you will arrive at Sacha’s 135-foot wooden tower built around an ancient Kapok tree. Get close up views of vibrantly colored birds through Sacha’s powerful scopes, and watch the sun set with an amazing view of Mount Sumaco, a volcano, and possibly a view of the snow-covered caps of the Andes! Leaving the tower just before or after sunset will give you an



experience not soon forgotten. A canoe ride back through the flooded forest at night will be an awe-inspiring experience. Listen to the symphony of frogs and insects as you



navigate through the narrow flooded forest trail, keeping your eyes open for caimans.

Watch the several species of bats flying over your heads and listen to the many species of nocturnal birds making their eerie nighttime calls. Finally, after your mesmerizing canoe trip through the Amazon, you will arrive back at lake Pilchicocha and the welcoming lights of Sacha lodge.

Meals: Breakfast

November 5th, 2012 Sacha to Quito

In the morning after breakfast, we'll depart from the lodge and have one last walk on the boardwalk to the river, and from there a 2 hour canoe ride back to Coca for your 35 minute flight back to Quito. Upon arrival in Quito, transfer to your hotel.

Meals: Breakfast

November 6th, 2012 Quito

A fun-filled colonial Quito tour aboard our very own Chiva "Don Otto", a traditional bus built in 1951, in which passengers can enjoy the picturesque streets of the historic center. We begin in El Ejido Park,



we then continue our journey of more than a dozen attractions, including The Street of Seven

Crosses, The Independence Square, La Compañía Church, Santo Domingo Plaza, the San Francisco Monastery; we complete the outing at Itchimbía Park and Cultural Center, a spectacular lookout site for

panoramic views of the colonial city.

Meals: Breakfast



November 7th, 2012 Quito Galapagos

Passengers are picked up at the airport by our guides and taken to the pier to board the M/V Galapagos Legend for a four day cruise. Walk amidst impressively large colonies of Blue-footed Boobies, Magnificent Frigatebirds, and Swallow-tailed



Gulls for an in depth encounter with marine bird breeding cycles and nesting behavior sea lions and marine and land iguanas are also encountered.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

November 8th, 2012 Santa Cruz (Dragon Hill)

We walk to a saltwater inlet where feeding flamingos can be occasionally found. The trail leads up to Dragon Hill, a nesting ground for reintroduced land iguanas, offering lovely views of the bay and an intriguing Palo Santo forest.

Floreana (Cormorant Point) Wet landing on an olive-colored beach. We hike from the black mangrove beds to a brackish lagoon, which holds one of the largest flamingo

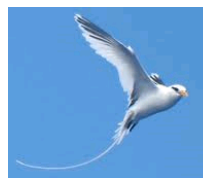


populations in the Galapagos. This island features endemic plants such as Scalesia villosa, white and black mangrove, and holy stick. Novice snorkelers can practice on the main beach with playful sea lions and much more. Keep in mind this is an open-water activity; there is nothing to support your body on.

Meals: All meals on ship

November 9th, 2012-Española (Suárez Point)

An island of geological interest, we explore volcanic formations and a riveting wildlife: large sea lion colonies and birds including Española Mockingbird, Nazca Boobies and the spectacular Long-tailed Tropic bird. You will also



encounter marine iguanas, lava lizards, and the colorful Sally Lightfoot Crabs. A somewhat lengthy hike will bring you amongst Nazca and Blue-footed



Boobies, right up to nesting grounds that sometimes overlap the trail. Other birding favorites include Galapagos Dove, Galapagos Hawk, Swallow-tailed Gulls and the world's largest colony of Waved Albatross, an unequivocal highlight



during mating season (May-December). Admire the island's dramatic backdrop, featuring the famous Soplador, a seaward blowhole that sends water some 23 m (75 ft) in the air. San Cristóbal (La Galapaguera Interpretation Center) Dry landing in Puerto Baquerizo Moreno.

Passengers visit the San Cristobal giant tortoise Breeding Center to learn about the National Park's environmental programs. Passengers will also have the opportunity to visit the town and shop for arts and crafts and other souvenirs.



Meals: All meals on ship

November 10th, 2012 Santa Cruz (Carrión Point)

A snorkeling activity is programmed an opportunity to swim with a variety of tropical fish, manta rays, perhaps the harmless White-tipped Reef Sharks. Return to the M/V Galapagos Legend, checkout and transfer to airport. Return flight to Quito. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel.

Meals: All meals on ship

November 11th, 2012 Quito Seattle

After breakfast we'll transfer to the airport for our international flight home. Upon arrival in Seattle, our shuttle will take you back home. Welcome Home!

Meals: Breakfast