

# NAPO WILDLIFE CENTER EQUADOR'S AMAZON



Be prepared for discovering the beautiful biodiversity the Amazon Rainforest hides in its forests and creeks. Most of the excursions will take place on terra firma forest. You will experience the forest floor by yourself and the assembly of colors, sounds, scents and the beautiful and curious creatures that are found there. During the hikes and excursions, a native and bilingual guide will be always with you to show you and other guests the secrets of the jungle.



*DATES: Daily departures*

*DURATION: 4 DAYS/3 NIGHTS*

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*Standard Suite: \$1,467 per person*

*Lagoon Side Suite: \$1,688 per person*

## DAY 1 – QUITO TO NAPO WILDLIFE CENTER

Departing from Quito, Ecuador's capital city, a 30-minute flight over the eastern Andes will take you to the jungle town of Coca. There, members of our staff will be waiting for you to give you a warm welcome and take you to the Francisco de Orellana Port – which is only 5 minutes away from the airport.

And here is where the real adventure begins! At the port you will get on a motorized canoe downstream the Napo River, the major tributary of the Amazon Rainforest in Ecuador. During the trip, you will have the chance to see different birds such as kingfishers, herons and others and admire the incredible views of the Amazon jungle that opens before your eyes.

A trip a box lunch will be provided. After our two-hour ride along the Napo River, you will arrive at the NWC's dock entrance where to take a short break to freshen up and use the restrooms. Then, we will continue our way to the lodge on paddle-canoes –motorized canoes are not allowed within the Napo territory. This majestic and peaceful dugout canoe ride up a narrow stream will lead us to the Añangu Lake, where the hotel is located. Late in the afternoon, we will arrive to the Napo Wildlife Center where our staff will welcome you with drinks and show your rooms and other areas of the lodge.

## DAY 2 – PARROT CLAY LICKS

Adventure at the Napo Wildlife Center begins early in the morning! In this second day at the premium Amazon Jungle tour you will experience one of the most incredible nature spectacles you will ever see: the parrot clay licks. It will only take us about an hour to get to the first parrot clay lick which is easy access from the lodge. Once we get there, at about 7:30 or 8:30 am it will take just a few minutes for birds to show up.



It is a real spectacle of colors, about 11 species of birds such as parrots, macaws and parakeets visit the clay licks every day to feed on the minerals that are concentrated in the soil. Later, we will hike along the forest trail to visit the Kichwa Añangu community to share time with the men, women and children of the community and learn about their every-day-life activities, routines and their ancestral customs and traditions. Then, we will say goodbye to the families and continue our adventure. We will go back to the creek and go hiking for 30 minutes through a Terra Firme forest until reaching the second parrot clay lick and repeat the experience of seeing a great variety of parrots, parakeets and macaws as you eat a delicious lunch our staff will provide you. Late in the afternoon we will arrive back to the NWC to rest and enjoy our lodge social areas and comfortable-luxury rooms.



### **DAY 3 – CANOPY OBSERVATION TOWER**

A delicious breakfast will be served at the NWC restaurant early in the morning. After that, we will depart to the Canopy Observation Tower, a high platform from which you will get a close-up view of the most amazing views of the jungle.

The tower is about 30 minutes from the lodge within the terra firme forest. This 36 meters high wooden platform was built just next a huge and ancient Kapok tree. To get to the top you pass you are finally there, the immensity and beauty of the Amazon jungle opens just before you.



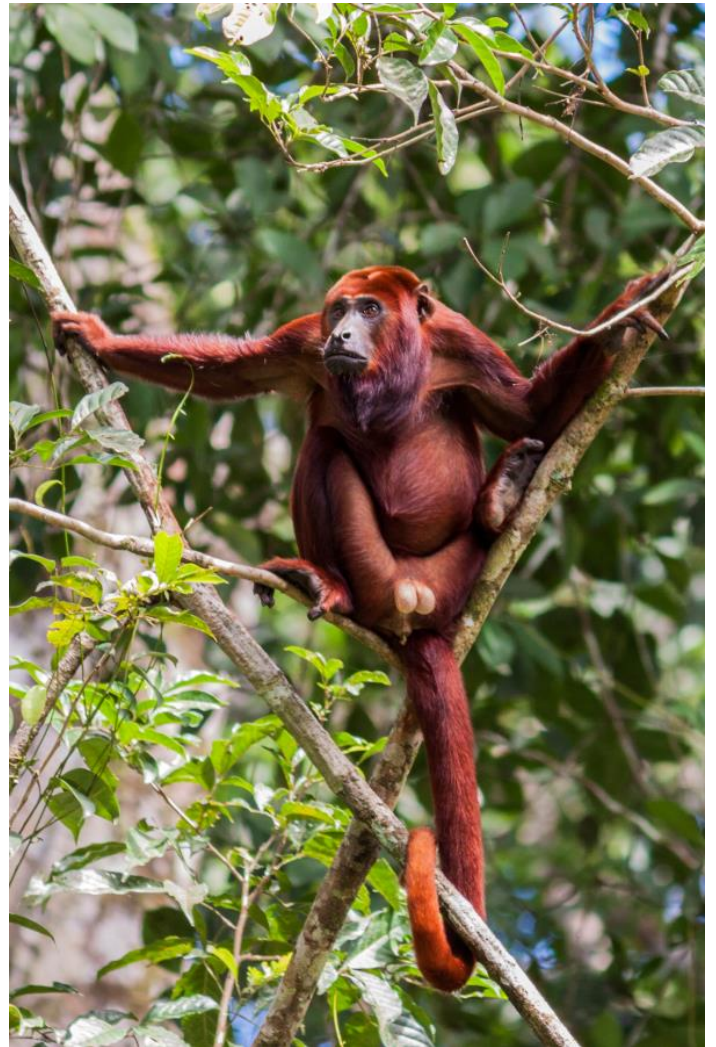
There are not enough words to describe it, you have to live it yourself! Birds that are just virtually impossible to see from the jungle floor will pass right by you. Flocks of vibrantly colored tanagers, blue-and-yellow macaws and large toucans fly past in the early mornings and afternoons. In the afternoon, after have lunch back in the Napo Wildlife Center, we will go deep into a terra firme trail to discover the beautiful and mysterious wildlife that hides in the forest interior.

There are great possibilities to see lizards, different species of monkeys such as the endemic Golden Mantle Tamarin monkey, rare and unique insects and even some scary snakes! Also, we will take you to explore the black water Añangu Lake and streams that are home of different species of fish and mammals such as the Giant Otter, a unique species from the Amazon.

### **DAY 4 – DEPART BACK TO QUITO**

Last day, we will depart after an early breakfast to go back to Coca city and repeat the adventure to go out the way you came, a ride on a paddle-canoë to the docking area and then embarking on a motorized canoe to the jungle town.

During this last excursion the creek may reveal new sights of rare bird species and monkeys, and a Giant Otter may show up to say good-bye!





### **The most luxurious lodge in Ecuador's Amazon**

The Napo Wildlife Center complex has sixteen luxury cabins. The spacious cabins are comfortable and spotless-clean.

#### **Room facilities include:**

- A king-sized bed and a twin-sized bed.
- A safety deposit box.
- Private bathrooms with hot water.
- A private balcony with views of the lake and the surroundings.
- 24/7 electricity provided by a solar panel system and silent power generators.
- Plenty of 120v outlets to recharge your gear.
- Mosquito nests and screened windows.
- Ceiling fans.

#### **INCLUDES**

- Air tickets Quito-Coca-Quito with assistance from the airport in Quito and help with check-in and land transfers in Coca
- River transportation to Coca – Napo Wildlife Center - Coca
- Accommodations in Napo Wildlife Center
- All meals
- Entrance to Yasuni National Park and parrot clay licks
- Community and naturalist bilingual guide
- Impermeable poncho and rubber boots
- All excursions and activities like program detail

#### **NOT INCLUDED**

- Beverages, tips, gifts, laundry and internet