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ECUADOR & GALAPAGOS

Magical Encounters with Nature, on Land and Sea

16 days from £4,950 per person (incl. economy class international & domestic flights)

A tapestry of wildlife, breath-taking landscapes, cultures old and new, with a dash of urban luxury.

Highlights

Quito, Choco Cloudforest, the Amazon, Guayaquil, Galapagos Islands



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Our exploration starts in Quito, one of Latin America's best-preserved colonial cities, with a host of fascinating museums and monumental buildings.

From Quito you will travel to the Mashpi cloud forest. With a dizzying array of plants and wildlife, the 1,200 hectare private preserve contains a maze of nature trails, waterfalls

and wildlife. Try 'biking in the sky' and cycle your way over the treetops and climb an observation tower.

Cloud forest to lowland rain forest. After an exciting journey by river boat and canoe you will arrive at Sacha Lodge – a delightful ecohotel on the borders of the Yasuni National Park. Here you can take you can swim in a black water lake, hike to magical corners of the rainforest and observe the antics of



monkeys in the branches of the trees, whilst learning about the medicinal uses of some of the forest's amazing variety of plant species.

The final stage of your journey takes you to Guayaquil, which offers the opportunity to discover another fascinating ecosystem: the mangroves on Santay Island. Take an evening cruise on a pirate boat and a stroll along the new waterfront or climb the 444 steps to the the Santa Ana Lighthouse before dinner. Guayaquil is now a pleasant overnight stop before embarking on your six day Galapagos cruise.

Itinerary Details

This Itinerary was created to give an idea of what Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands have to offer. We are a bespoke travel company and tailor each trip to shape each of our quests' requirements.

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Day 1 - Casa Gangotena, Quito Flight to Quito. Transfer from airport to hotel.	Day 9 - <i>The Grand Odyssey (boat), Galapagos</i> Transfer to airport for flight to Galapagos.
Day 2 - Casa Gangotena, Quito City tour of Quito.	Day 10 - <i>The Grand Odyssey (boat), Galapagos</i> Morning visit to Suarez Point. Afternoon visit to
Day 3 - Mashpi Lodge, Cloudforest	Gardner Bay.
Transfer to hotel in the cloudforest. Activities at Mashpi private forest reserve.	Day 11 - <i>The Grand Odyssey (boat), Galapagos</i> Morning visit to Cormorant Point and Devil's
Day 4 - <i>Mashpi Lodge</i> , <i>Cloudforest</i> Day of activities.	Crown. Afternoon visit to Baroness Lookout and Post Office Bay.
Day 5 - <i>Casa Gangotena, Quito</i> Transfer to Quito. Afternoon at leisure.	Day 12 - The Grand Odyssey (boat), Galapagos Morning visit to Santa Fe Island. Afternoon visit
Day 6 - Sacha Lodge, Napo	to South Plaza Island. Day 13 - The Grand Odyssey (boat), Galapagos Morning visit to North Seymour Island. Afternoon visit to Las Bachas, Santa Cruz Island.
Airport transfer for flight to Coca. Hotel transfer.	
Day 7 - <i>Sacha Lodge</i> , <i>Napo</i> Activities in the private forest reserve.	
Day 8 - Mansion del Rio Boutique Hotel, Guayaquil Transfer to airport for flight to Guayaquil.	Day 14 - <i>In transit</i> Day at leisure.