

WORLD SLIPPER CONFERENCE TOUR

ECUADOR BIODIVERSE

Ecuador's perfect location has made this country one of the most biodiverse places in the world.

From the coast with its beautiful beaches, which invite you to a beach holiday, it goes up to 4000m high into the Andes. Crossing it, you will reach the Amazon Basin, full of plants and animals, waiting for your discovery. In addition to approximately 1600 species of birds, countless colorful insects and 4,200 orchid species have been described in Ecuador. 16 ethnic groups enrich the trip with an incredible cultural diversity.



ENJOYING NATURE IN ECUADOR

9 DAYS/ 08 NIGHTS

DAY 1

June 16th

GUALACEO - MENDEZ - CHINIMBIMI:

After being part of the World Slipper Conference, we are happy to start our tour heading to the amazon basin. The diversity of microclimates allow us to enjoy of a great diversity and landscapes. We will look for phragmipedium besseae, pleurothallis, epidendrum and many other interesting genus. We will spend the night in Chinimbimi.



DAY 2

June 17th

CHINIMBIMI - EL PANGUI:

After Breakfast we will continue the adventure to look for Phragmipedium species. And also different stops on the road to find out species like Epidendrum, Sobralia, Oncidium, Prosthechea, Maxillaria, Pleurothallis, etc. We will spend the night in, El Pangui.



DAY 3

June 18th

EL PANGUI:

El Pangui well known also like the 'Orchid of the amazon". This is a small town located in the south of the Ecuadorian amazon basin, here it is located the Ecuagenera nursery, where we grow a great number of aroids species and miniature orchids. Also there is place dedicated for conservation, where we will find different species, not only Ecuadorian but also from other parts of the world. We will spend the night in the same place El Pangui.



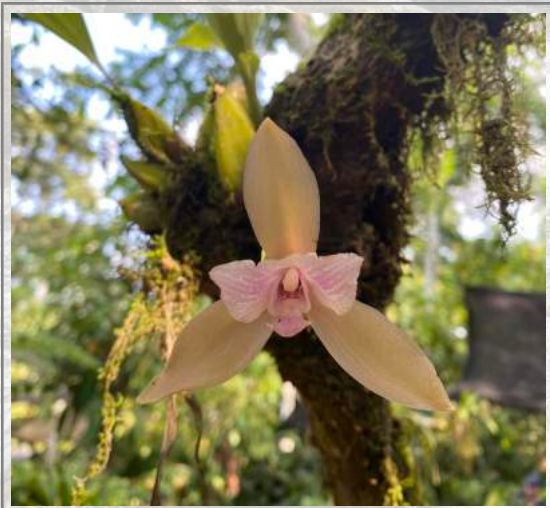


DAY 4

June 19th

EL PANGUI - ZAMORA:

This day we will be leaving El Panguí and traveling to Zamora, on the way we will visit part of the Cordillera del Condor area, this is an eastern mountain range of the Andes that is shared and forms part of the international border between Ecuador and Peru. Here we will see orchids such as *Rodriguezia*, *Epidendrum*, *Masdevallia*, *Lepanthes*, *Stelis*, *Maxillaria*, *Sobralia*, *Eriopsis* and more. We will spend the night in Zamora.



DAY 5

June 20th

ZAMORA - LOJA:

We will leave the Amazon side to go back to the Andes. On the way we will find different types of orchids on the road, like *Masdevallia*, *Sobralia*, *Eriopsis*, *Maxillaria*, *Phragmipedium*, *Vanilla*, *Cyrtorchilum*, *Oncidium* and *Prosthechea*. We will spend the night in Loja.



DAY 6

June 21th

LOJA - SARAGURO:

We will take the old road and on the way we will see *Fernandezia*, *Telipogon*, *Cyrtorchilum*, *Oncidium*, and *Epidendrum*. Also we will live the traditions of Saraguro's ethnic group. We will spend the night in Saraguro.



DAY 7

June 22nd

SARAGURO - GUALACEO:

We will start our trip back to Gualaceo and on the way we will see some orchids in the roadside like Trichoceros, Oncidium, Telipogon, Lepanthes, Andinias, etc. We will spend the night in Gualaceo.



DAY 8

June 23th

GUALACEO:

Today we stay at the nursery, with thousands of different orchids. It is probably the largest collection of Andean orchids in the world. In the afternoon we will visit Chordeleg one of places famous because of handicrafts and silver and gold jewelry. We will spend the night in Gualaceo.



DAY 9

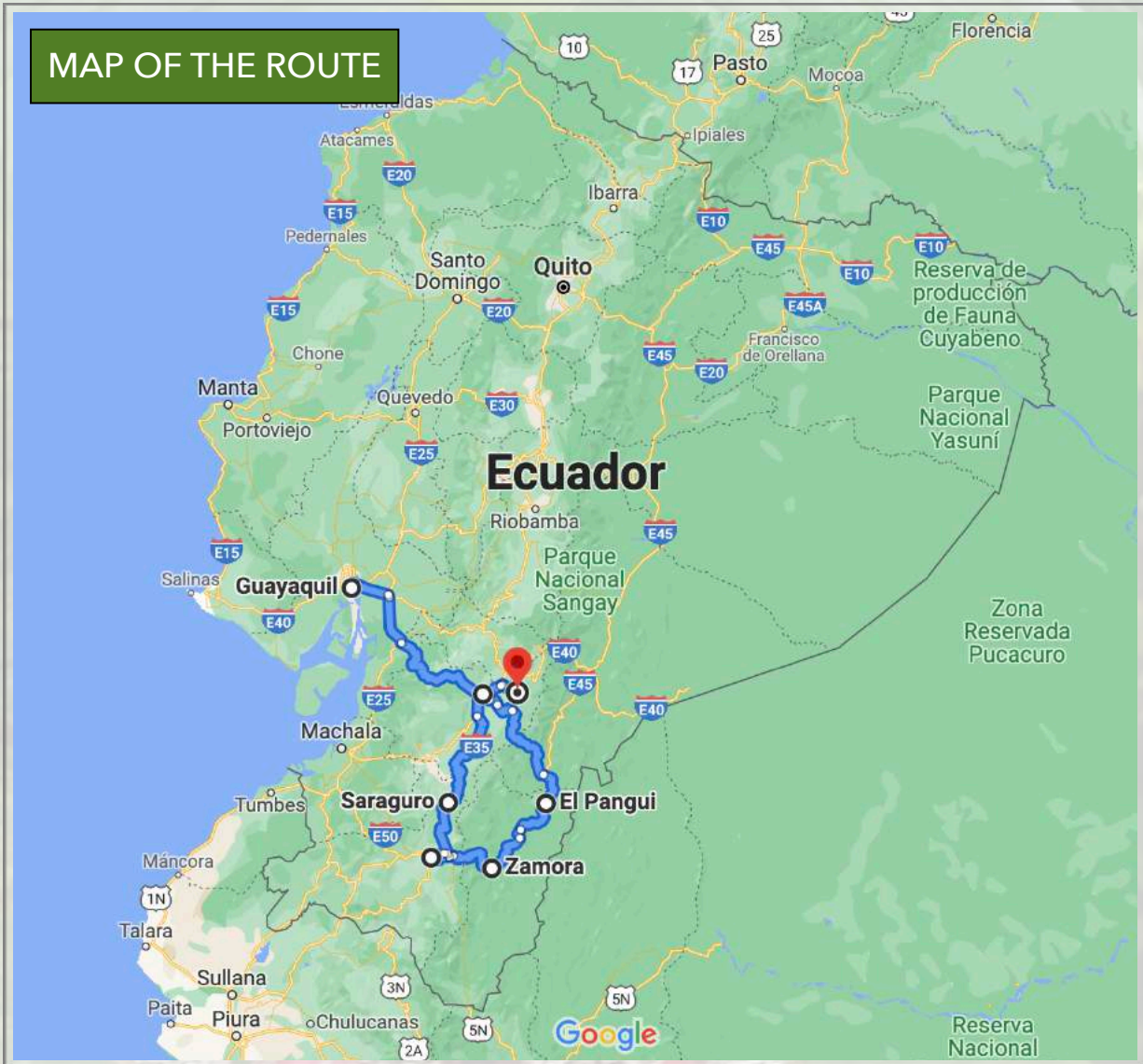
June 24th

GUALACEO - GUAYAQUIL:

After breakfast we are ready to go to Guayaquil airport, we will take the route through Ingapirca where we will make a stop to see Incas and Canaris ruins.



MAP OF THE ROUTE



09 DAYS / 08 NIGHTS TOUR

	SINGLE ROOM	DOUBLE ROOM
PRICE PER PERSON	1800	1600

INCLUDES:



Hotel accommodation



Food and beverages



Transfer Airport-Hotel-Airport, tour guide.

NOT INCLUDES:

Alcoholic Drinks, Extras not specified here or tips.

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

Bank Transfer

Ecuagenetours Cia. Ltda.

Address: Km2 Via a Cuenca, Gualaceo - Azuay.
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Bank: Banco del Pichincha

Account: 3484459104

Aba Code: 066012867 Swit Code: PICHECEQ

Bank Address: Av. Solano y 12 de Abril, Cuenca -
Azuay

- * For bookings 50% payment is required, difference can be paid once you arrive. For total refund on your payments, cancellations has to be made at least 3 months before the start of tour, after that we will have to charge the total payment.
- * Tour and prices are designed for groups of minimum 5 people. If you would like to personalice it please ask for more information to tours@ecuagenera.com
- * The itinerary is subject to change, due to operational or climatic reasons. The itinerary may vary.



RECCOMENDATIONS:

- All countries (except Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Eritrea, Ethiopia, China, Kenya, Nepal, Nigeria, Pakistan, Somalia) **do not require a VISA**. A passport with at least 6 months validity is required.
- The local currency is USD and you will find Currency Exchange points at the airports. We recommend you travel with cash and credit card. Travellers checks are not accepted.
- In order to avoid inconvenience during the trip we suggest you bring: waterproof walking shoes or **rubber boots**, rain coats, mosquito repellent and sunscreen, as well as basic medication for general problems such as altitude sickness and stomachache. Bring your personal medication; it could be difficult to find the same here.
- We recommend you to be prepare for the variation of climate. We are going to experience the chill of high altitudes and warmth and humidity of Amazon. The weather in our country is unpredictable; it could be sunny and 5 min later rainy.

IMPORTANT: According to the regulations of the Ministry of Environment of Ecuador, is not allowed to collect or extract seeds, plants, or any biological resource from nature.

