

VIII

Ecuador 2025

SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE ON ANDEAN ORCHIDS

Conference website
www.ccoa8.com

Website of ecuagenetours
www.ecuagenetours.com



Phragmipedium besseae



Universidad
Católica
de Cuenca



10 DAYS POSTCONFERENCE TOUR

- ✓ Experience the wonders of Ecuador, one of the most biodiverse countries in the world.
- ✓ Its perfect location has endowed it with breathtaking landscapes, extensive flora, amazing waterfalls and diverse fauna.
- ✓ This small yet vibrant country is also home to over 32 ethnic groups, making it a rich multicultural tapestry.

What is included?



**GROUND
TRANSPORTATION**



**MEALS AND
ACCOMODATION**



**SPECIALIZED TOUR
GUIDE AND ACTIVITIES**



Flora Specialized tour

Enjoy the
biodiversity of
Ecuador



Visit Ecuagenera

More than 30
greenhouses to
explore



Conservation areas and culture

Enjoy of the biodiversity
of flora and live the
experience with local
culture and their
traditions

DAY 1 - 25 oct Gualaceo - Mendez

After have been participated of a nice experience at the conference, we are ready to start our tour heading to the amazon basin, on the route we will see some great specimens of phragmipedium, epidendrum, pleurothalis and more varieties and also beautiful waterfall on the road.

We will spend the night in Mendez.



DAY 2 - 26 oct Mendez - San Juan Bosco

07h30 Breakfast

08h30 We will be ready to explore the amazon basin and the intermidiate and warm growing orchids.

We will take lunch and keep exploring the area where Maxillarias, Pleurothallis, prosthechea, sobralias grows.

We will spend the night in San Juan Bosco

DAY 3 - 27 oct San Juan Bosco - El Pangui

07h30 Breakfast

08h30 Check out from hotel and ready to continue de adventure to the next place, which is El Pangui, also known as the "Orchid of the Amazon" on the road we will make different stops to find out orchids like: Phragmipedium, maxillarias, epidendrum, elleanthus and more.

We will take lunch on the road and keep the adventure.

We will spend the night in El Pangui.



DAY 4 - 28 oct El Pangui

07h30 Breakfast

08h30 After breakfast we will have the day to visit Ecuagenera nursery and know more about the conservation program that Ecuagenera manages.

Lunch in El Pangui

We will visit the Ecuagenera garden, this is a nice place where we will see how nature has regenerate and different kind of flora is growing there.

We will spend the night in El Pangui

DAY 5 - 29 oct El Pangui - Zamora

07h30 Breakfast

08h30 Today we will embark on a journey from El Pangui to Zamora, winding through the captivating Cordillera del Condor. This eastern range of the Andes runs along the international border between Ecuador and Peru. As we traverse its rugged terrain, we will encounter a botanical paradise.

Rodriguezia, Epidendrum, Masdevallia and Oncidium: these enchanting orchids will adorn our path. Their delicate petals and vibrant hues add a touch of magic to this high altitude landscape.

At sunset, we will arrive in Zamora, to rest and get ready to continue exploring nature the next day. We will spend the night in Zamora.



DAY 6 - 30 oct Zamora - Catamayo

07h30 Breakfast

We will leave the lush Amazon region and make our way back to the majestic Andes. Along our journey, we will find a fascinating variety of orchids along the roadside. Look for species such as Masdevallia, Sobralia, Eriopsis, Maxillaria and Prosthechea. Overnight in the charming town of Catamayo.



DAY 7 - 31 oct Catamayo - Sozoranga - Catamayo

07h30 Breakfast

08h30 Today is dedicated to *Cattleya maxima*. This is a stunning orchid species known for its captivating beauty and vibrant colors. Native to South America, especially regions such as Ecuador and Peru, this orchid grows in a variety of habitats, including cloud forests and dry forests.

Cattleya maxima is characterized by its large, showy flowers, which can reach up to 15 centimeters in diameter. We will explore its ideal habitat, where we can discover a multitude of fascinating variations. In addition, we will venture into the dry forest, encountering a diverse range of captivating flowers.



DAY 8 - 1 nov Catamayo - Saraguro

07h30 Breakfast

08h30 Today, our route will be adorned with the delicate beauty of roadside orchids. Look out for species such as *Trichoceros*, *Oncidium*, and *Telipogon*. Our night's rest awaits at the charming Saraguro.



DAY 9 - 2 nov Saraguro - Gualaceo

07h30 Breakfast

08h30 After breakfast we are ready to go back to the andean side and on the way we will make stops to find out pleurothalis, lepanthes, telipogon, epidendrum, sobralia and more.

We will take lunch and continue the route

We will arrive and spend the night in Gualaceo.



DAY 10 - 3 nov Gualaceo - Cuenca

07h30 Breakfast

After breakfast we will visit the Ecuagenera nursery in Gualaceo, we will take lunch in Gualaceo and in the afternoon we are to take you back to the airport.



10 DAYS / 9 NIGHTS TOUR

	SINGLE ROOM	DOUBLE ROOM
PRICE PER PERSON	\$2190	\$2000

INCLUDES:



Hotel accommodation



3 meals per day (breakfast, lunch, dinner) and non alcoholic beverages



Transfer Airport-Hotel-Airport, tour guide.

NOT INCLUDES:

Alcoholic Drinks, Extras not specified here or tips.

PAYMENT INFORMATION:

-PayPal: paypal@ecuagenetours.com please add 6% fee

- Bank Transfer

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- * 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.

