

Yaku Kausay 3 Days / 2 Nights

Kichwa mythology reveals situations, characters, thought forms pass a couple, seeking, choose locations to proceed with the founding of towns knowledge of energy sites is common in communities, its people, children, the water and the life that inhabits it holds great secrets and for the kichwa life.

DAY 1

Your adventure begins from the town of Coca, at “La Mision” river port, whose name recalls the mission of capuchin monks who occupied the area in the past century. At this place our staff will welcome you, take your luggage to the motor boat, while you meet with your guide and fellow travelers for a briefing about the area overlooking river “Napo”. Then you will board our comfortable motor boats for about two hours to enjoy the clear waters and amazing rainforest views, the guide will provide a reusable bottle to drink water and a hearty box lunch with local produce and fruit, while you listen to some interesting facts of the zone. During the navigation you will see birds such as herons, kingfishers, terns and other shore birds species.



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Arriving at Napo Cultural Center, you have the outstanding chance to step onto the aboriginal territory of the kichwa Añangu community, whose members will welcome you with a traditional and refreshing ice cold “wayusa”, the local hotel manager will give quick instructions and immediately will take you to your comfortable room with views of the rainforest in order to get ready for the first activity in the afternoon.

Hike along “Playas” trail to experience amazon wildlife for the first time in the river islands and shores amidst of one of the most biologically diverse places on Earth.

Kayaking is also available as an optional activity for around 45 min. to enjoy an overwhelming and colorful sunset in the vastness of Napo River. Then head back to your cabin, rest a little bit and be prepared for a well-deserved dinner. After dinner sleep with the relaxing sounds of the amazon.



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DAY 2

We begin this morning with a visit to the intercultural interpretation center "Kuri Muyu" which means golden seed in native language, handled by the women of the community also known as "mamakuna" learn about the Kichwa culture, crafts, customs and traditional use of natural resources directly from the people of the aboriginal community.

We return to the center of the community to have lunch at the dining hall and take a break in the lodge before hiking one hour in order to climb up the observation tower reaching 35 meters above the surface with high chances to spot a variety of birds, howler monkeys, squirrel monkeys, toucans, parrots and sloths.

In the afternoon, head back to Napo Cultural Center aboard your paddle canoe through Anangu creek to see more of the spectacular wildlife available.



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After dinner, prepare your flashlight for a night walk around the lodge to see different kind of insects, reptiles and even nocturnal mammals like the night monkeys.



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DAY 3

To close with a flourish, take part on the optional “wayusada” ritual, in which at dawn around 4:30 am is the time when the kichwa family share together the sacred “wayusa” and has been a way to pass their ancient knowledge to the new generations, here you also share traditional chants and have the chance to “interpret dreams” with the wisest “mamakuna” at the community, a mystique experience indeed.

Then head back for breakfast, while our staff pick you luggage for your return to Coca town, onboard our comfortable motor boats for the last chance to appreciate the Ecuadorian rainforest landscape, until you reach “La Mision” river port.

