ECUADOR
PUSHAQ
EXPLORE
AND ADVENTURE

OUR SPIRIT

Pushaq was established by Jose Navarrete and Caroline Frey in 2009 with a vision inspired by a combination of Quechua values (Don't be lazy, Don't lie and Don't steal) and the richness as well as the diversity of Ecuadorian flora and fauna. Since then, we have delivered fun-filled tours of our beautiful country to world travelers who enjoy getting around with ease and thanks to the support of a team of experienced tourism professionals.

"When people approach us, we listen to them carefully in order to understand and discover the best way to tailor their holiday based on their particular wishes and tastes. We do our best to enjoy every part of our work with a positive and socially responsible attitude. For us, no request is too big or too small, because our guests' happiness is our desire!

- Caroline & Jose -
Pushaq

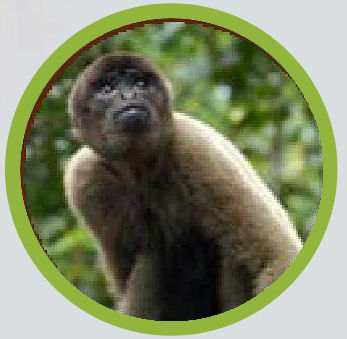
OUR DESTINATIONS

GALAPAGOS ISLANDS

ANDEAN REGION

COASTAL REGION

THE AMAZON RAINFOREST



ANDEAN
REGION

One of the most important reasons to visit Ecuador is to learn about the great diversity that is found in Andean cultural identities. This region offers an incredible amount of breathtaking valleys and mountains. The best way to discover the secrets of our land is to travel along the ancient paths that we have explored since we were young. Our country's rich history was marked by the Inca and Spanish conquests, which have enriched our culture. Our guests can enjoy the tours that will take them to several natural destinations such as the volcanic thermal baths, tropical forests, Inca ruins, colonial cities, astonishing landscapes and world-famous arts and crafts markets. Here, amateurs and lovers of photography will appreciate the dramatic landscape and changes of light, as well as the constant chances to encounter many species of animals and plants.

In this region, the most common highlights of our tours include:

- Wildlife & bird watching
- Sightseeing of important monuments
- Hiking and horseback riding
- Relaxing spa and wellness days
- Excellent photography opportunities
- Experiences with local culture
- Culinary delights

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Level of activity

Moderate to High

Recommended length of stay

4 Nights / 5 Days

Temperature range

10 °C to 19°C

PUSHAQ'S HIGHLIGHT TOURS

Colors of the Andes
(Photography)

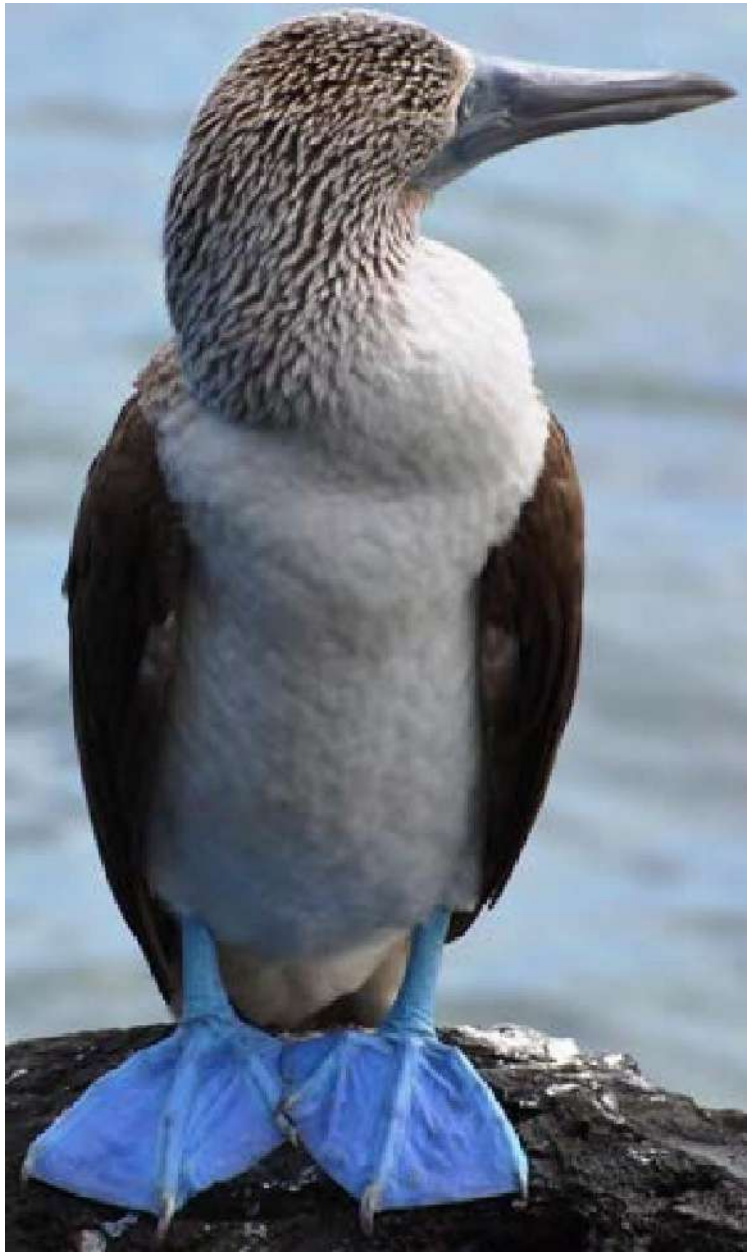
From Andean Condor to Spectacle Bears
(Fauna)

4 Cardinal Points
(All-round Expedition)

Volcano Land and Inca Paths
(Trekking)

*** Inquire with us for specifics about our highlight tours and itineraries**

GALAPAGOS
ISLANDS



Commonly known as the Enchanted Islands, life and magic harbored at Galapagos makes this unique and exciting archipelago an important marine reserve. This natural paradise is home to numerous endemic species, incredible beaches and volcanic islands. Galapagos is definitely the most sought after destination where you can feel life thriving and evolving in and at its own pace.
Our tours are aimed to ensure our guests connect fully with the natural wonders and beauty of the islands.
Visits include islands from every corner of the archipelago and we tailor every excursion specifically to our guest's interests and budgets. From naturalist focused itineraries to diving exclusive cruises, each of them has its unique splendor. Visits to the few inhabited islands are perfect for photography and especially also when the highlight is to discover the habitats of singular animal species on earth.

The most common highlights of our tours include:

- Trekking to observe wildlife & bird watching
- Snorkeling or diving to discover underwater life
- Relaxing days at the beach or on board our ships
- Excellent Photography opportunities
- Visits with local guides
- Meeting local people and experiencing local cuisine

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Level of activity

Moderate to High

Recommended length of stay

4 Nights / 5 Days

Temperature range

21°C to 32°C

PUSHAQ'S HIGHLIGHT TOURS

Enchanted Kaleidoscope
(Photography)

Underwater Journey
(Fauna)

On Darwin's Quest
(All-round Expedition)

A Sea Lion Life
(Relax)

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THE AMAZON
RAINFOREST

Our guests are always enchanted by the exuberant vegetation and exotic wildlife of this biodiverse region which represents 48% of the Ecuadorian territory, and is listed as one of the 7 Natural Wonders of the World. The Ecuadorian Amazon Jungle is nourished by many rivers, including the imposing Napo river. The further one travels down these rivers, the more one experiences all the wonders of the rainforest: making this an experience that will fill your spirit and soul.

The most common highlights of our tours include:

- Wildlife & bird watching
- Relaxing days
- Excellent photography opportunities
- Meditation
- Encounters with local communities
- Experiencing local cuisine

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Level of activity

Low to moderate

Recommended length of stay

3 Nights / 4 Days

Temperature range

25°C to 28°C

PUSHAQ'S HIGHLIGHT TOURS

Faces and Expressions
(Photography)

Amazon's Big 5
(Fauna)

A Tributary Voyage
(All-round Expedition)

Among Feathers and Spears
(Cultural)

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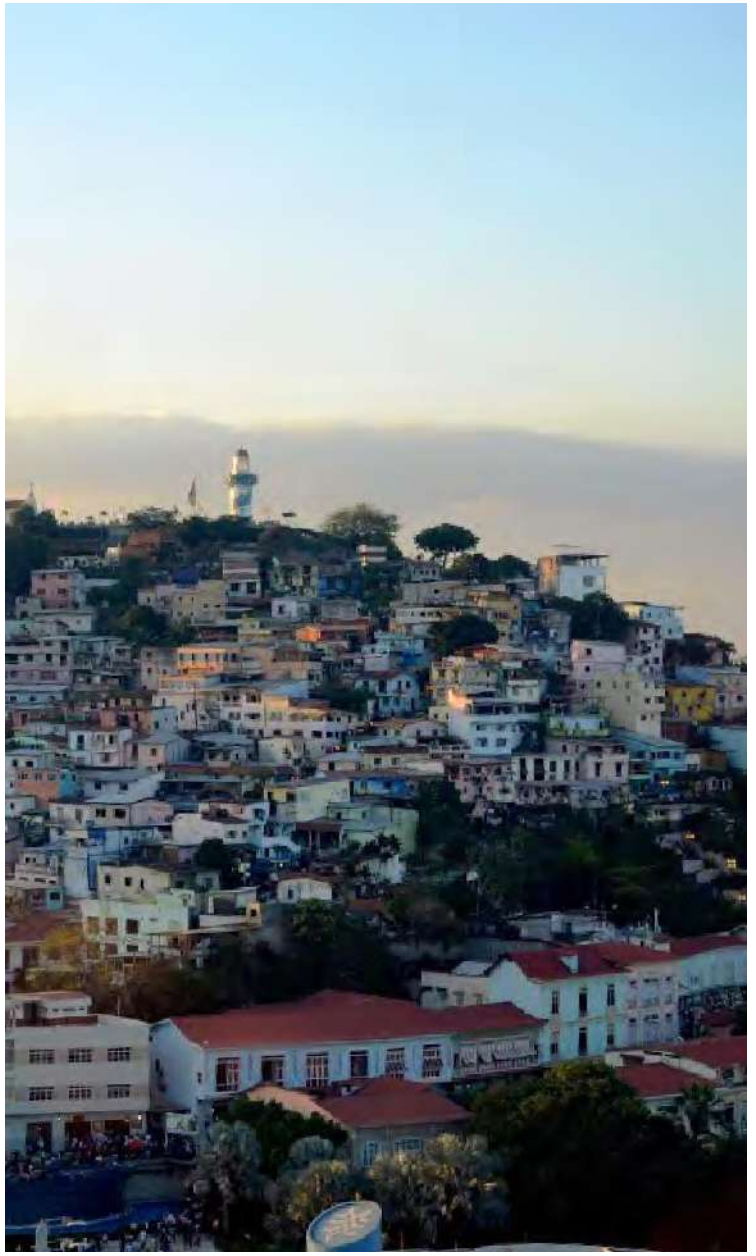
COASTAL REGION



This is the most populated area in Ecuador and it offers a singular mixture of wildlife and colorful architecture. Being the financial, industrial and commercial center of Ecuador, many opportunities arise for agricultural tourism. With new hotel infrastructures, the famous “Ruta del Sol” along the Pacific shore connects many beautiful beaches from Santa Elena until the evergreen province of the Esmeraldas.
Its main city, Guayaquil, offers attractions such as national parks, dry tropical and humid forest, ecological reserves which serve as perfect places for walks in nature to encounter birds and local fauna. Some of the most popular delicacies of Ecuadorian cuisine come from this area.

The most common activities of our tours are:

- Encounters with nature (including seasonal whale watching)
- Modern Ecuadorian architecture and lifestyle
- Delicious Seafood Gastronomy
- Activities such as: swimming, surfing, biking, walking and relaxing
- Visits to cocoa and banana plantations

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Level of activity

Moderate to High

Recommended length of stay

2 Nights/3 Days

Temperature range

23°C to 28°C

PUSHAQ'S HIGHLIGHT TOURS

Sunset Light or no Light
(Photography)

Migratory Giants Encounter
(Fauna)

Along the Route of the Sun
(All-round Expedition)

Tastes of the Spondylus culture
(Culinary)

*** Inquire with us for specifics about our highlight tours and itineraries**

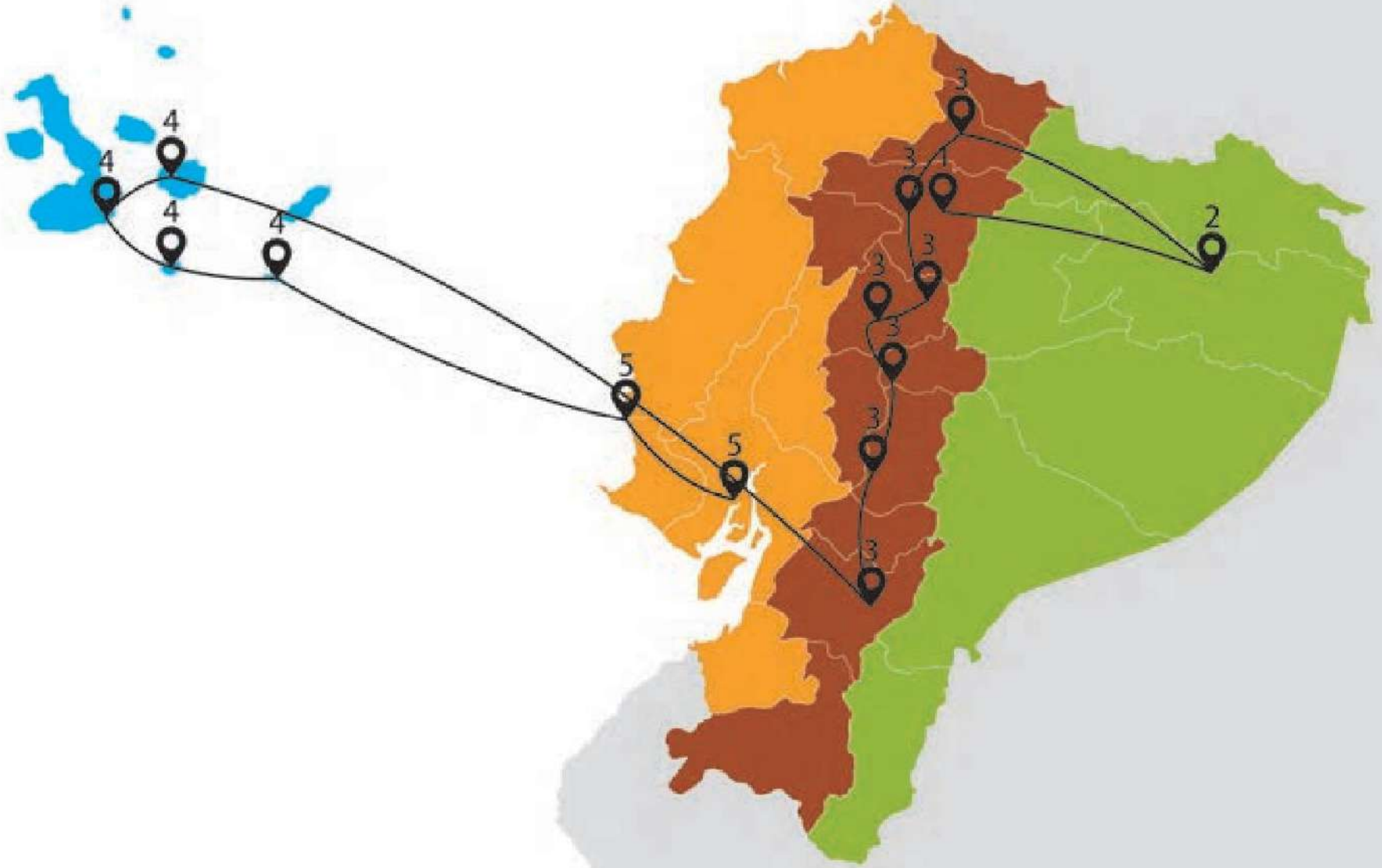
GRAND TOUR OF ECUADOR

The natural and cultural features of Ecuador create an uninimitable recipe. With Pushaq's Grand Tour of the country, our guests will not only discover the immensity of the Andes, but also the exuberance of the Amazon, the amplitude of our beaches with temperate waters and the unforgettable Galapagos Islands. Actually, Pushaq's Grand Tour was created to portrait a country and its people who adapt, transform and define themselves into a single concept, which is to be the leader in natural and cultural travel. This national objective is supported by components such as: adventure trails, bird watching tours, nature encounters, culture traditions and a family based gastronomy. Through this 21 days journey, our guests will feel happy, safe and well attended.

The most common activities of our Grand tour are:

- Unforgettable encounters with nature
- Diversity of lifestyles and traditions
- Wide assortment of culinary flavors and aromas
- Activities such as: swimming, trekking, biking, walking and relaxing
- Wide range of climates and micro climates to discover
- Opportunities for photography
- Sightsseing of important historical monuments

GRAND TOUR MAP



GRAND TOUR ITINERARY

1 **Quito**
(Old Town & Middle of the World) 2 days

2 **Amazon Rainforest**
(Coca, Yasuni, Pañacocha) 4 days

3 **Avenue of Volcanoes**
(from Otavalo to Guayaquil) 7 days

4 **Galapagos**
(Santa Cruz, Española, Floreana) 5 days

5 **Coast**
(Olon, Frailes, Guayaquil) 3 days

Port of entry and departure can be switched based on international flight itinerary.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Level of activity

Moderate

Recommended length of stay

20 Nights/ 21 Days

Temperature range

10°C to 32°C

5 REASONS TO TRAVEL WITH PUSHAQ

What type of services do we offer?

We offer the same type of services that we would expect to receive ourselves. We know the area through & through and have determined that our standards of operation cannot compromise security, reliability or quality.

Who are our partners?

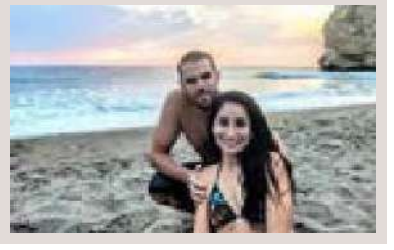
We have fostered exceptional relationships with various trustworthy local providers who more than fulfil our guests' expectations. Our decision on who we should trust is based on the same criteria that we use for ourselves.

When is the best time to travel?

Fortunately, Ecuador is a country that offers year-round travel opportunities. We are accustomed to all seasons (rain or no rain), which enables us to inform our clients about the highlights of every season. From times that enhance the rainforest life to times that produce high levels of vitamin E for our guests.

Where are we based?

Our offices are in Quito and Guayaquil where we also live; additionally, we call Ecuador our garden. We operate in every corner of the country and have extended our network of operation to Perú, Colombia and Bolivia. Do not hesitate to enquire about our combined tours.



Why accuracy of operation is so important to us?

Our experience in the travel industry has taught us that one only gets one chance to create a good impression on our clients, so that is why we plan, prepare, scout and perform under one simple rule: compliance with no excuses.

Our guarantee signature is to always organize and operate our tours ourselves, in order to prevent any glitches that otherwise occur. Every technical detail is thoroughly supervised before a tour starts: from car tires to insurance and liability compliance from our providers.

What our guests say

"Our grand tour of Ecuador was truly unforgettable and so amazingly diverse! We enjoyed it all the more knowing that Caroline and Jose had taken care of every single detail and had borne in mind all our considerations and requests. No stone was left unturned as far as they were concerned. They have so much knowledge and experience of their country, the Galapagos Islands and the neighboring lands that their recommendations are priceless! And we won't tell you about all the little surprises on the way.. You have to experience them for yourself!

- Caroline Hürlimann & Patrick Eschbach -
Zurich, Switzerland

2020 & 2021 FITs PUSHAQ RATES

PRIVATE SERVICE	RATE PER SERVICE	SERVICE CAPACITY
City transfers (Quito and Guayaquil)	59 USD	From 1 to 4 guests
Daily tours (8 hours service)	199 USD	From 1 to 4 guests
Weekly tours (6 days service)	999 USD	From 1 to 4 guests

- Rates include: Private guidance and transportation
- Rates do not include: Accommodation, meals and entrance fees
- For larger groups & combined tours, please inquire with us
- Service is always subject to availability

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