

Ecuador Amazon Sacha Lodge Extension

4 Days



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Explore the wonders of Ecuador's Upper Amazon rainforest on this exciting 4-day extension itinerary — a perfect addition to MT Sobek's Galapagos adventures! Take a short flight from Quito to Coca, then journey by motorized canoe to the charming Sacha lodge, one of our favorite jungle retreats, for a three-night stay. Each day, head out on foot or by canoe to explore wildlife wonders in the surrounding forests, including over 600 species of birds, howler and capuchin monkeys, sloths, agoutis, otters, caiman, and more. Climb the 135-jungle tower for incredible views and take a thrilling tree-top walk along the lodge's 940-foot canopy walkway. At the lodge, enjoy a range of excellent services and amenities, including delicious meals and hot showers (a luxury in Amazonia!), and revel in quiet moments on your private porch, right in the heart of the rainforest.

Details

Arrive:	Quito, Ecuador
Depart:	Quito, Ecuador
Duration:	4 Days
Group Size:	2-16 Guests
Minimum Age:	6 Years Old
Activity Level:	

Testimonials

"I have taken 12 trips with MT Sobek. Each has left a positive imprint on me—widening my view of the world and its peoples."

Jane B.

"I've taken six MT Sobek trips and they have all exceeded my expectations. The staff, the food, the logistics and the communications have always been exceptional. Thank you for being my "go to" adventure travel company!"

Margaret I.

Why Take This Trip With Us?

REASON #01

MT Sobek has been operating trips in Ecuador for over 50 years, working with the best local guides for an immersive experience. REASON #02

This is one of our most popular extension combinations! We've got the logistics covered to pair this trip perfectly with our Galapagos adventures.

What to Expect

REASON #03

We know because we go. Sacha Lodge is one of our favorite jungle retreats — it's both a relaxing getaway and an excellent way to explore the Amazon.



ACTIVITIES

Rainforest walks, canoe rides, and canopy tours in the company of professional naturalist guides plus a visit to the Providencia native community of Yasuní National Park.



LODGING

Stay at the charming and comfortable Sacha Retreat Lodge, located on a lagoon in the heart of the Ecuadorian Amazon.



CLIMATE

The temperature is generally between 75°F and 95°F, and there are daily rain showers year round.

Meet Our Guides

Our expert guides and trip leaders are truly the key to our trips' success. Many are locals who live in-country year-round; others have made it their second home—all are passionate, enthusiastic and endlessly knowledgeable. Meet two of the guides that might be on your trip.

Local Tour Guide

Itinerary

DAY 1 JOURNEY FROM QUITO TO SACHA LODGE

Transfer to the Quito airport for a mid-morning flight to Coca, then board a motorized canoe for an exciting ride down the Napo River, a tributary of the Amazon! A short forest walk from the lodge landing brings you to the stunning jungle-fringed Lake Pilchacocha, where another canoe awaits to ferry you to Sacha Lodge. After check-in, you'll be outfitted with a poncho and rubber boots, which are customary attire for your stay at Sacha. There is usually time for a late afternoon visit in the rainforest to look for wildlife or for a refreshing swim in the lagoon. A welcome dinner in Sacha's spacious dining room can be followed by a night walk — great for spotting owls and nocturnal mammals.

Meals: L, D

DAY 2 EXPLORE THE AMAZON FROM SACHA LODGE

Spend the next two days exploring the 5,000 acres of pristine rainforest at Sacha Lodge reserve, home to an amazing variety of wildlife. Half and full day excursions allow you to explore this area by canoe and on jungle hikes, observing a variety of habitats including pristine primary forest. On the way, look out for over 600 species of bird — the most seen at a single site in the world! — and a wide variety of monkeys, from red howler monkeys to white-faced capuchins. Sloths and agoutis are seen with some regularity, as are the footprints of ocelots and jaguars. Part of the excitement of visiting the rainforest is the possibility of viewing some of its mysterious and elusive inhabitants — you never know what you may see next.

Activity: Rainforest walks & canoe rides

Meals: B, L, D

DAY 3 RAINFOREST HIKES, CANOE RIDES & CANOPY WALKS

Your days in the jungle can be tailored to your interests by your naturalist guide. Take a refreshing swim in the lagoon, catch an early morning canoe ride to see hundreds of parrots at the mineral-rich claylick across the Napo River, climb the tower for a canopy walk among the tree tops, and stargaze to a symphony of croaking frogs, crickets, and owls. You'll also have the opportunity to visit the Providencia native community of Yasuní National Park and learn about the Shipati Warmi project — an initiative run by and benefitting the women of Providencia. After meeting the locals (with your guide as the translator), you'll even have the chance to try some of their traditional foods! The Shipati Warmi project ask that each guest donates \$5.

Activity: Rainforest walks & canoe rides

Meals: B, L, D

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DAY 4 RETURN TO QUITO

After breakfast, catch an early boat ride back to Coca for your connecting flight to Quito.

Meals: B

Dates

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Inclusions & Exclusions

PRICE INCLUDES

- Expertise and services of our experienced adventure guides
- All accommodations as noted in the itinerary
- Breakfasts, lunches and dinners as noted in the itinerary
- Snacks and water between meals
- Additional regional guides and experts on many trips
- Comprehensive Trip Planner with detailed pre-trip information

Private guided tours at historic sites, museums,

- wineries and other select attractions as noted in the itinerary
- Special events and other select attractions as mentioned in the itinerary
- All gratuities at hotels and restaurants
- Equipment and experienced guides for activities as described in the itinerary
- Park and other entry fees (unless otherwise noted)
- Fares for trains, ferries and other modes of travel as listed in the itinerary
- Select transfers as mentioned in the itinerary
- Baggage transfers and porterage

PRICE DOES NOT INCLUDE

- International airfare, airport taxes, and excess baggage fees
- Alcoholic beverages (MT Sobek provides wine at select events)
- Gratuities for MT Sobek guides and guide-drivers
- Travel Protection Program
- Personal expenses

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