

BIO BLITZ  
CONSERVATION  
MISSION

10 DAYS  
WITH



WELCOME  
TO

ECUADOR



# Khamai



## Bio Blitz Mission

- ✎ Working alongside renowned field biologists in the fields of herpetology, ornithology, entomology, and mammalogy
- ✎ Hands-on field conservation through bio blitz methods
- ✎ Directly support the fundraiser for the creation of two protected areas in Ecuador.
- ✎ Monitor transects for the rapid-response monitoring of the Mindo Harlequin-Toad
- ✎ Set up light traps for insects to photograph beetles, moths, and mantids on a white background.
- ✎ Set up pitfall traps to record secretive leaf-litter species that are otherwise extremely hard to find.
- ✎ Record all birds seen or heard from various points at the reserves Mist nets will be set up to record elusive understory species
- ✎ Learn the art of scientific photographing using standardized methods
- ✎ Live amongst nature in elegant eco cabins situated at the edge of a cliff and in the cloud forest

10  
Days

Open to 6 individuals  
with excellent health  
and fitness



# Itinerary

## 10 Days

This is an example itinerary and is subject to change

1

Welcome to Quito, the capital of Ecuador  
Meet your colleagues and settle in for dinner

2

Enjoy the picturesque drive known for its waterfalls and birdwatching before arriving in the Arlequín Reserve in the Mindo cloudforest. Set up your BioBlitz stations and spend the evening briefing about the project

3-5

Daytime activities include visiting trap stations, diurnal surveys along transects, and scientific white background photography. Nighttime activities include photography of insects in light traps, herpetological visual encounter surveys, and examination of mist nets to record bat species

6

Travel across the high Andes of Ecuador to the Pitalala Reserve in the upper Amazon rainforest of Ecuador. Set up the next set of Bio Blitz stations and begin monitoring this night

7-9

You will spend four nights immersed in the rainforest of Pitalala Reserve building up the species lists of reptiles, amphibians, mammals, birds, beetles, moths, butterflies, and aquatic invertebrates.

At the end of each sampling day, the team will gather to annotate the recorded species on a whiteboard

10

Enjoy a last breakfast with the team before heading back to Quito to depart





# Trip Details

Enjoy three delicious meals each day, with complimentary tea, coffee, and juice included. Accommodations are in a beautiful eco lodge camp at the edge of a cliff in the Pitalala Reserve and a rustic cabin in the cloudforest of the Arlequín Reserve. Featuring comfortable twin-share rooms, western toilet and hot water showers, with all bedding and towels provided. While in Quito, relax in twin-share hostel-style rooms for a restful experience. Please note that alcohol and snacks are not included.



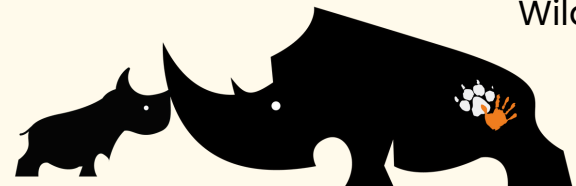
## Inclusions

- Accommodation & 3 meals a day
- All transfers, including airport pick-up and drop-off
- Professional English-speaking guide
- 5 renowned experts in their fields as your guide, and pre, during and post-trip support from Wilde Tracks
- All activities and contributions to conservation
- Insurance liability for operations

## Exclusions

- International flights (round trip)
- Personal travel insurance (mandatory)
- Visa (if required)
- Alcohol, snacks, souvenirs

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and your preferred travel dates.