



# LA LENGUA

**Spanish School and Tours**

Integrating Cultura and Tourism since 1994

## 4 WEEKS SPANISH PROGRAM IN ECUADOR

**\$ 1685**

**Enjoy the highlands, the jungle and the coast of Ecuador while studying Spanish!**

### **QUITO**

*Located at 2800 meter above sea level, Ecuador's capital boasts bustling Indian markets and colonial architecture. It's a beautiful city with lots to offer for all ages and tastes. Our school is located in the tourist center close to the bars, restaurants and internet cafes.*

### **OTAVALO**

*Otavallo is the most famous indigenous village, situated 2 hours north from Quito. It is popular among tourists for its wonderful Indian market, its friendly people with their traditional way of dress and its nature surroundings.*

### **YARINA LODGE**

*Live in the heart of the jungle, a unique natural site while improving your Spanish with help of experienced teachers. Yarina Lodge is situated approx. 1 hour away from Coca.*

### **PUERTO LOPEZ**

*Puerto Lopez is an authentic fishing village located in the national park of Machalilla, on the Pacific Ocean coast. From there you can make different excursions, such as the Isla de la Plata. This village is famous for its delicious local culinary specialties which should not be missed on any account.*



# Program:

## QUITO



- MONDAY** 08:30 – 12:30, 4 hours individual Spanish classes,  
14:00 – 17:00 visit to the historical centre of Quito by local bus with a Spanish teacher.  
In 1978 UNESCO declared Quito's colonial centre as one of the world's cultural heritage sites.  
2 meals and accommodation in an Ecuadorian host family.
- TUESDAY** 08:30 – 12:30, 4 hours Spanish classes, in the afternoon 1 hour Salsa lessons with a professional dancing teacher  
2 meals and accommodation in a host family.
- WEDNESDAY** 08:30 – 12:30, 4 hours Spanish classes, afternoon free time  
2 meals and accommodation in a host family.
- THURSDAY** 07:00 – 16:00 excursion to the Indian market of Saquisilí with your Spanish teacher.  
This market is for the inhabitants of remote Indian villages who flood into town to buy and sell everything from bananas and herbal remedies to strings and piglets. Many travelers rate this market as the best they've seen in Ecuador. It's a 2 hour drive, passing the volcano Cotopaxi. Once arrived in Saquisilí you first visit the animal market and then make your way through the rest of the market. Lunch (not included in the price) and drive back to Quito.  
2 meals and accommodation in a host family.
- FRIDAY** 08:30 – 12:30, 4 hours Spanish classes, in the afternoon 1 hour Salsa lessons with a professional dancing teacher  
2 meals and accommodation in a host family.
- SATURDAY** *OPTIONAL: Every weekend LA LENGUA offers different kind of tours to our students (Volcano trekking, Thermal Baths, lagoons etc.). To find out, what tour we offer on a particular weekend and what the prices are, please contact the school in Quito during your stay.*  
2 meals and accommodation in a host family.
- SUNDAY** *OPTIONAL: Tours LA LENGUA (see above)*  
2 meals and accommodation in a host family.

# OTAVALO



- MONDAY** Morning bus to Otavalo with your teacher, afternoon 4 hours Spanish classes. Accommodation and dinner at the hotel "Otavalo Prince", single room with private bath.
- TUESDAY** **Option 1:**  
Breakfast, 08:00 – 12:00, 4 hours Spanish classes, in the afternoon visit Cotacachi with your teacher and practice your Spanish. This small village, some 15 km north of Otavalo, is famous for its leatherwork. If you have time you can also visit the Cuicocha lagoon, which is close by.
- Option 2:**  
Breakfast, visit to the town Ibarra during the entire day with your teacher. Just 22 km north of Otavalo is the attractive colonial town of Ibarra located, which is also called the "white town". It is the provincial capital of Imbabura. Accommodation and dinner at the hotel "Otavalo Prince", single room with private bath.
- WEDNESDAY** Breakfast, 08:30 – 12.30, 4 hours Spanish classes, in the afternoon visit the nearby village Penuche, and walk through the woods to the sacred waterfall. Accommodation and dinner at the hotel "Otavalo Prince", single room with private bath.
- THURSDAY** Breakfast, 08:30 – 12:30, 4 hours Spanish classes  
Afternoon free time  
Accommodation and dinner at the hotel "Otavalo Prince", single room with private bath.
- FRIDAY** Breakfast, 08:00 – 12:00, 4 hours Spanish classes, in the afternoon visit to the San Pablo lake.  
Accommodation and dinner at the hotel "Otavalo Prince", single room with private bath.
- SATURDAY** Breakfast, Free time to explore the biggest Indian market in Ecuador and in the afternoon drive back to Quito by bus  
Dinner & accommodation in the host family.
- SUNDAY** Breakfast, free time to explore Quito. Dinner, take the night bus to Coca with your Spanish teacher.

## + YARINA LODGE



- MONDAY** Arrival in Coca and from there by boat on the "Rio Napo" river up to the "Rio Manduro" river (approx. 1 hour). You will then join Yarina lodge, where you will be accommodated during your stay in the jungle.  
Lunch, 4 hours Spanish course  
Dinner and accommodation in a double room
- TUESDAY** After breakfast, excursion on the "Socali path". You will have the opportunity to admire the incredible diversity of the local flora and fauna. From an observation tower, you will be able to watch the fascinating world of the birds of the tropical forest, or simply enjoy the splendid view (approx. 4 hours).  
Lunch, Spanish course, dinner and accommodation
- WEDNESDAY** Do you like adventure? You will not be disappointed! After breakfast, you will take a walk along the Capibara path. You will get the chance to watch the fauna and flora on display everywhere around you.  
During the walk, a local guide will introduce you to the secrets of the various uses of medicinal plants. Moreover, you will spot the trees that the inhabitants of the forest use to build their huts. And you may fish piranhas... an experience that you are not going to forget!  
Lunch at the lodge and Spanish course in the afternoon.  
Dinner and accommodation.
- THURSDAY** Breakfast, Spanish course and Lunch.  
In the afternoon, you will learn more about the weapons used in the Amazonian forest: Bodoquera / Cervatana. If you wish you may even have a rest on one of the "Rio Napo" River's beaches.  
At sunset you may sit on a boat and listen to the sounds of the forest and at night you will look for the caimans... an unforgettable Experience! (approx. 1 hour).  
Dinner and accommodation
- FRIDAY** Breakfast, Spanish course, Lunch.  
You will get acquainted with local customs and the way of life of the inhabitants of the virgin forest by visiting some of their houses.  
Then you will continue your excursion towards Coca and from there you will return to Quito by bus.
- Saturday** Arrival in Quito, 2 meals and accommodation in a host family.  
Time to relax.
- Sunday** Breakfast and dinner at your host family, free time in Quito.  
*Optional: Every weekend LA LENGUA offers different kind of tours to our students (Volcano trekking, Thermal Baths, lagoons etc.). To find out, which tour we offer on this particular weekend and at what price, please contact the school in Quito beforehand.*

**Night bus to Puerto López.**

# PUERTO LÓPEZ



Monday	Arrival in Puerto López, breakfast, relax, 4 hours Spanish course in the afternoon, dinner and accommodation at the schools own "cabañas".
Tuesday	Breakfast, Spanish course from 08:30 – 12:30, afternoon excursion with your teacher to Agua Blanca. This little village has an archaeological museum explaining the excavation of the Manta site that is about a half-hour walk away and which can be visited too. Dinner and accommodation at the school.
Wednesday	Breakfast, Spanish course from 08:30 – 12:30, afternoon excursion to the beach "Piqueros", where you can also visit the local museum, which preserves the sea animals of this region. Dinner and accommodation at the school.
Thursday	Breakfast, excursion to Montañita with your Spanish teacher. Montañita is famous for its hippie and surf community and its bamboo architecture. Here you can have a go at surfing, buy some handmade jewelry or just have a swim and walk at the beach. Dinner and accommodation at the school.
Friday	Breakfast, Spanish course from 08:30 – 12:30, lunch and night bus back to Quito
Saturday	Arrival in Quito early morning, accommodation and 2 meals at a host family.
Sunday	Breakfast, check out time 12:00 am. Program ends here.

## **PRICE: US\$1685**

**Important:** The price is based on one student.

If you wish to study in a small group of 2 or more students with only one teacher, you will get a reduction of US\$77 per person.

However, if you would like to travel together, but each one with your own teacher, the price remains the same.

### **PRICE INCLUDES:**

- 80 hours of individual Spanish classes (one teacher, one student)
- 11 days in a host family in Quito with two meals per day and laundry service once a week
- 2 hours Salsa classes in Quito
- Excursions mentioned in the program except the optional weekend tours with LA LENGUA
- 5 nights in the hotel "Otavalo Prince", single room with private bath, breakfast and dinner
- 5 days in the jungle lodge, double room, 3 meals per day
- 5 days accommodation in the school's cabañas in Puerto López, 2 meals per day
- Bus fares: Quito–Otavalo–Quito, Quito–Coca–Quito, Quito–Puerto López–Quito

### **ADDITIONAL COSTS:**

- Additional night in Quito in a host family (\$13)
- Additional Spanish lesson (\$6/h)
- Flight from Quito to Coca (one way \$60 / return \$120)
- Flight from Quito to Manta (one way \$53 / return \$106)
- Transfer Manta – Puerto López, one way \$40
- Additional day in Puerto López (\$15 accommodation with two meals)

### **GALAPAGOS ISLANDS:**

We also offer trips to the Galapagos Islands. For further information about dates, prices, boats etc. please contact us!

