

Yacuma Ecolodge

Yacuma Ecolodge is a joint ecotourism initiative of the rainforest community of Chontayacu and Ecuahotel. The ecolodge, created in 1997, provides employment opportunities through nature-based eco-tourism.

Yacuma Ecolodge is an attractive ecolodge in true nature where we practice sustainable tourism, with respect to the people, the environment and the economy of our host community. The values of the region are ours, meaning working on a surrounding nature as unspoilt and attractive as possible, working together with the community in respect with their valuable culture and heritage and offering a hospitable service.

Welcome to Yacuma Ecolodge, a beautiful place created for those who love the Amazon Jungle. We want to share with you the wonders offered by the Ecuadorian Amazon Rainforest and invite you to enjoy an unforgettable journey.

Uniqueness

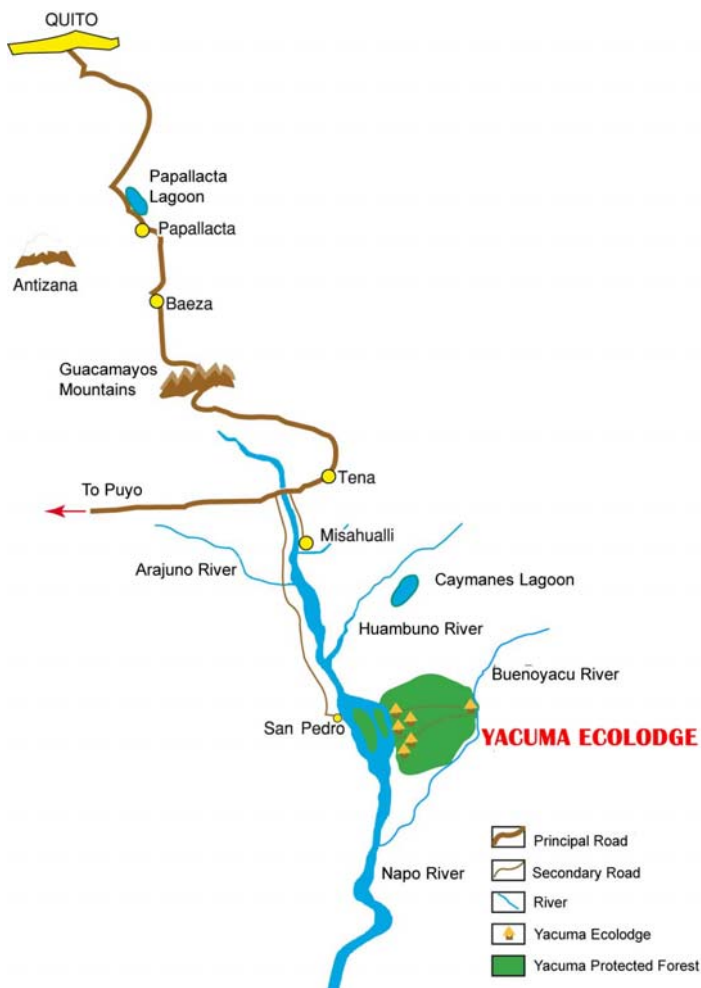
- Experience the true nature of the Yacuma Protected Forest Reserve
- In harmony with the Chontayacu Indian community
- In a comfortable and sustainable manner



TRUE NATURE

YACUMA JUNGLE ECOLOGE, NAPO PROVINCE, ECUADOR

Location



The Ecuador Amazon Rainforest Yacuma Reserve and the Ecolodge are located in the Napo River area in the Ecuadorian Amazon Jungle Rainforest. The Yacuma Protected Rainforest Reserve spans over 300 hectares (3,000,000 square meters) of primary tropical rainforest.

Yacuma Ecolodge is only accessible by boat from San Pedro village or Santa Rosa village. Visitors will drive from Quito, following the beautiful route that goes through Papallacta and Baeza, until arriving to the city of Tena. This drive lasts about 4 hours and is plenty of exhilarating and very scenic landscape ranging from the highlands of the spectacular Andes to the low lands of the upper basin of the Great Amazon River. From Tena the journey continues for about 1 hour and 45 minutes more until San Pedro or Santa Rosa Village from where our dug-out canoes will take you (travel time 30-45 minutes) to Yacuma Ecolodge located in a magnificent jungle spot.

Visitors can also fly from Quito to the city of Tena every week on Monday or Friday, when available. If you arrive to Tena by plane, we will pick you up at the airport and take you to San Pedro or Santa Rosa Village and then by canoe to Yacuma Ecolodge.



Accommodation

12 comfortable bungalows feature a traditional Amazon-style, built from materials harvested from the rain forest in a sustainable manner and combined with modern materials. Our 24 rooms have electricity from solar energy, private facilities and can accommodate in total 56 people.

Room type	Twin	Double/Family	Triple
Type of bed(s)	2 Twin size	1 Queen size 1 Twin size	3 Twin size
Number of rooms	16	6	2



Activities

Every destination offers a diversity of cultures, fauna and flora, and beautiful sights. With our activities we want to show you the highlights of Ecuadorian Amazon Rainforest consisting out of:

- **Guided nature hikes**

Local guides give expert interpretation as our guests cross the varied forest habitats of the Yacuma Forest Reserve. There are over 10 Km of trails to choose from, where visitors will learn about medicinal, fruit and exotic plants. Our jungle trekking can be done during the day.

- **Bird watching**

Over 340 bird species live in the vicinity of Yacuma Reserve. Expert local guides easily identify their songs and calls.

- **Wildlife viewing**

Our visitors may have a glimpse, with luck, of some of the wildlife that inhabits the area, such as monkeys, capybaras, wild pigs, to name a few. But in fact, and this is very important to know, that it is a quite difficult task to observe this extraordinary wildlife due to the simple fact that in the jungle there is a struggle for life so everybody is hiding to survive.



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- **Ethnic culture**

Experience the real amazon life while visiting an Indian family or the mystery of a Shamanic Session.

- **Canoe trips and fishing**

Guest can enjoy canoe trips and fishing opportunities on Napo River.

- **Swimming or relaxing**

After a day of hiking we can have the opportunity to enjoy a refreshing swim in the Chontayacu River, Sumino River or Napo River. Or simply relax in a hammock while listening to the sounds of the forest.

- **Tubing**

Experience the adrenaline when tubing town a part of the Napo river.

- **Gold Panning**

Why not to try gold panning on Napo River as the local Indigenous do. We will take you to certain areas on the river shores where you can try your good luck and get some grams of gold!

Services included depending upon the type of stay

- Spanish/English speaking companion
- Accommodation in bungalows
- Full board in the lodge
- Indigenous guide
- Canoes
- Excursions/Activities
- Support to the Chontayacu Community and school

Services not included

- Public or private transportation from Quito - Santa Rosa / San Pedro - Quito
- Alcoholic or soft drinks
- Entrance fees depending upon the activity
- Personal expenses and extras
- Other not specified services

