

## **CLOUD FOREST PARADISE** **STAY IN OUR UNIQUE LODGE WITH ITS EXTENSIVE RESERVE**

### **3 DAYS / 2 NIGHTS With Cock of the Rock 3 hours visit**



**Our three-day trip is a wonderful way to become acquainted with the special environment of a cloud forest so close to Quito – only one hour 45 minutes away!**

**We offer our guests a unique stay in paradise, above the forest canopy, surrounded by myriads of hummingbirds!**

**You will enjoy our generous servings of gourmet food, the fabulous views of forest and mountains, and our extensive network of safe, well-marked trails.**

**ITINERARY:** *Note: these hours are approximate except for the pick up hour.*

#### **Day 1:**

**AM:** At 6:30 AM your driver will collect you at your hotel. We'll start driving along the Calacali – Nanegalito road with colorful landscapes and ever-changing vistas all the way. Somewhere on the road we will turn left and on to the secondary road which for about 30 more minutes will take us to Bellavista Lodge, perched on top of the Tandayapa Valley. Arrival at Bellavista. Your guides will greet you here and will show you your room and facilities before going for breakfast.

Settle in after breakfast and then meet your guide at an appointed place in the lodge for a short briefing, and right away your hike will commence. Your guide will choose the best trails and hike options according to the group size (no more than 7 hikers), weather and trail conditions.

After 2 or more hours of easy and very educative hike, you are back in the lodge for lunch.

**PM:** your package includes another forest hike into another different trail among the many trails in Bellavista – discover the ecology of this mysterious forest. Dinner and overnight. You may well get a good sighting of the delightful Olinguito, right at the Lodge!



#### **Day 2: El Gallito de la Peña 3 hours morning birding**



##### **AM**

4:30 AM wake up and departure private transfer to Angel Paz Reserve to see the Cock-of-the-Rock and possibly Antpittas, back to lodge about 8 AM for breakfast and guided hike in Bellavista.

**PM:** An option to go and discover the trails on your own, along the self-guided trail or by the aid of our trail-map. This will definitely be a highly exciting moment. Or, join your included guided hike with your guide at 3 PM or just sit and chat with other guests while watching the feeders at close quarters full of hummingbirds of 10-12 different species! Dinner and overnight.

#### **Day 3:**

**AM:** Early morning bird hike. Same as yesterday or if you are not a birder, just lie down and listen to the awakening of the forest as the sun appears and sets the world in motion.

8:00 AM: Breakfast Further hikes for discovery of the exuberant forests around the lodge are as planned in your package or just relax in our lounge or talk to your guide for any Day Excursions he may have available for today outside Bellavista!

##### **PM. Lunch**

At 3:00 PM and after settling your bill for any souvenirs or extras, your driver will be waiting for you to embark for your transfer back to Quito City or airport.

At around 5 PM you will be arriving back at your hotel in Quito.

**End of the trip!**

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Note: Various types of hikes are offered, from leisurely hikes to full-scale adventures!

### Accommodation



#### What to bring:

- T-shirts or comfortable blouses/shirts
- Sweater or fleece for the evenings
- Quick drying trousers (blue jeans not recommended)
- Lightweight socks
- Change of clothes
- Sunhat and sunscreen
- Rain poncho (a few available if needed)

- Camera
- Rubber boots are provided – to size 47 (few pairs in large sizes)
- Binoculars recommended (available for rent)
- Water bottle for hikes
- Small backpack for hikes
- Flashlight and batteries
- Plastic bags to protect camera, etc

#### What is included:

- Shuttle, round trip transport Quito-Bellavista-Quito
- All meals
- 2 nights accommodation
- Shared Naturalist Guide Service
- Excursion Cock of the Rock
- Access to 700-hectare Reserve

#### What is not included:

Drinks, tips, personal items, other private services.

Transfers in or out from Tababela Airport area, has an extra cost!

**Note:** Hiking routes are flexible.



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