#### Day 1

## Quito to Coca to the Napo River

Upon arrival to Quito's Mariscal Sucre International Airport, you will be greeted by representatives of the M/V Anakonda who will assist with check-in. After a short flight from Quito to the Amazon city of Coca, you will be transferred to the dock to board motorized canoes and begin a 90-minute journey down the river, taking in your first sights and sounds of the Amazon. Soon, you will reach the M/V Anakonda and enjoy a warm welcome aboard. Once settled, join expert local naturalist guides for a brief and informative introduction to the Ecuadorian Amazon, and then relish your first opportunity to discover the exciting features of the vessel: spacious social areas, comfortable suites, and an observation deck that allows you to admire the changing rainforest landscape as you glide down the Napo River. After dinner, plunge straight into the Amazon rainforest on a nighttime forest walk to observe the forest's nocturnal activity and experience the thrilling noises and aromas that come from so much biodiversity.

#### Day 2

### Panacocha Biological Corridor

Continuing to travel downstream, you will soon reach the Pañayacu River delta. Here is the perfect place for a canoe trip to experience the sights of this fascinating water reserve. Pañacocha Lake is an ecosystem flooded by black-waters, and Pañacocha means "Piranha Lake" in the native Kichwa language. The surrounding protected rainforest is home to 9 species of primates, 500 species of birds and more than 100 fish species. It is the ideal habitat for piranhas, paiches (one of the largest freshwater fiches in the word) and the white caiman. In this little piece of paradise, participate in nature walks led by local naturalist guides and later relax at a nearby campsite where a delicious Amazon-style BBQ with refreshing beverages will be served. After lunch, it's time for some kayaking, and the bravest globetrotters can enjoy a nice refreshing swim in the Piranha Lake! Don't worry, it's not as dangerous as it sounds! Back on board the M/V Anakonda, you're invited attend a lecture given by concierge and to settle in for an educational documentary about the region.

#### Day 3

# Parrot Clay Licks and Amazon Communities

This morning, set out on canoes to observe one of the most incredible sights on this side of the Western Amazon - the parrot clay licks. This unique place is rich in minerals and attracts hundreds of colorful parrots, parakeets, and Amazon birds every day. Later in the afternoon, visit a Kichwa Cultural Center to learn about Amazon communities and their ancestral culture, traditions, and cuisine. Members of the local community will teach you about indigenous lifestyles along the Napo River, and you will have the opportunity to support the local community by purchasing well-made and authentic handicrafts, local

products, and souvenirs. Back on board the M/V Anakonda, prepare to be delighted with an exquisite farewell dinner.

# Day 4

Napo River to Coca to Quito

This is where your Amazonian adventure ends! Soak in the last leg of your journey onboard the M/V Anakonda and then disembark onto motorized canoes which will return you to Coca (a 90-minute ride approximately). Upon arrival, you will be transferred to the airport where you will board an outbound flight to Quito.