

# Cotopaxi Lodge to Lodge Trekking

## 5 days / 4 nights



### ITINERARY

| Cotopaxi trekking |  |                | Per day         |             | Altitude in m |               |
|-------------------|--|----------------|-----------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|
| Day               | Itinerary  | Accommodation  | Hiking Distance | Hiking Time | Max           | Accommodation |
| 1                 | Condor Machay waterfall trekking                         | Cotopaxi Pungo | 9km             | 3 hrs       | 3400          | 3400          |
| 2                 | Pasochoa Trekking  | Cotopaxi Pungo | 15km            | 6-7 hrs     | 4200          | 3400          |
| 3                 | Pasochoa-Los Mortiños trekking                           | Los Mortiños   | 20km            | 7-8 hrs     | 3650          | 3600          |
| 4                 | Rumiñahui trekking                                       | Los Mortiños   | 16km            | 6-7 hrs     | 4700          | 3600          |
| 5                 | Santo Domingo Lagoon trekking back to Quito or extension | Los Mortiños   | 6km             | 4-5 hrs     | 4000          | 3600          |



## Day 1: Condor Machay Waterfall

Early pickup at your hotel in Quito and drive to the Pasochoa and Pita Canyon area. Traversing through the Pita Canyon valley we can admire beautiful haciendas. Today we have a nice trekking through pristine Andean forests in the Pita Canyon. We reach the beautiful Condor Machay Waterfall where we can have a nice dip to freshen up for the walk. The total walk is about 9km. We head back to the hotel to rest and enjoy the views to the mountains from the lodge.

Accommodation: Cotopaxi Pungo

Meals: Breakfast, Box lunch, dinner

- Altitude 3400 – 3750 mts.



## Day 2: Pasochoa Volcano Trekking

The Pasochoa, an extinct volcano that is very fertile in consequence of the lava and the thousands of years that passed by the eruption. Covered in Andean forests and moorlands, you can find many different species of plants, trees, animals and insects. Our trekking takes about 6-7 hours in total. After reaching Pasochoa's Summit (4'200 m / 13'779 feet) we head to our lodge to rest for the night.

Accommodation: Cotopaxi Pungo

Meals: Breakfast, box lunch, dinner

- Altitude 3400 – 4200 mts.



### Day 3: Trekking to Los Mortiños

Today we head north with an incredible trekking from our lodge through the Andean moorlands of the foothill of Sincholagua Volcano to Los Mortiños Lodge, located in between Sincholagua and Rumiñahui volcanoes and 5 minutes walking from the north entrance of Cotopaxi National Park. The trekking takes approximately 7 hours and offers incredible trails, rivers, moorlands and mountain views.

Accommodation: Los Mortiños

Meals: Breakfast, box lunch, dinner

- Altitude: 3400 – 3600



## Day 4. Rumiñahui Volcano Trekking

This morning we head by foot to the Cotopaxi National Park. The imposing Rumiñahui with 4700m is waiting for us. We start our tour at the edge of the stunning Limpiopungo lagoon at 3900m. We hike to the summit and back in approx. 6-7h. The tour ends at our lodge.

Accommodation: Los Mortiños

Meals: Breakfast, box lunch, dinner

- Altitude: 3600 – 4700 – 3600



## Day 5: Cotopaxi National Park– Santo Domingo Lagoon

The Cotopaxi National Park has an area of 82,534 acres and is the birthplace of some rivers such as Cutuchi, Guayllabamba and Napo rivers; the last one ends its way on the great Amazonas River. This vast area is rich in fauna and flora with a high scientific value. We cross through the moorlands of Cotopaxi National Park arriving to Santo Domingo Lagoon. We will relax after the trekking in the beautiful natural lagoon in the foothills of Cotopaxi. Here we will be picked up and transferred back to Quito.

Accommodation: -

Meals: Breakfast, Box lunch

- Altitude: 3750 – 4000

