



EPR TRAVEL

ECUADOR AND GALAPAGOS TOURS



TRAVEL SAFE EPR TRAVEL'S COVID PLAN



We are pleased to welcome you to Ecuador. Independent studies have concluded that air travel is safe and travelers can return to the friendly skies with confidence.

Epr Travel has put in place preventive measures to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 among its passengers. Please read the following information carefully before your arrival and let us know if you have any questions.



✓ TRAVEL SAFELY
✓ AWAY FROM
CROWDED

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Bring your own mask and wear it at all times.
- We will provide you with reusable cloth fluid masks upon your arrival in Ecuador and you can use them immediately if you wish.
- Wash your hands regularly with soap and water.
- Regular use of hand sanitizer.
- Hygiene will be emphasized throughout the trip.
- Maintain the recommended minimum distance of 1 meter.
- In case of coughing or sneezing use your forearm and then wash your hands.
- The situation is still in constant flux, so the country information and regulations provided are subject to change at any time.

MAINLAND ECUADOR – ENTRY REQUIREMENTS & PROTOCOL



The National Emergency Operations Committee (COE) resolved to approve the following protocols for entering Ecuador from abroad, which will come into effect at 00:00 on September 11, 2021:

- Any person who enters mainland Ecuador by international air travel must present a mandatory [Traveler's Declaration of Health](#) form to the airline when boarding, which must later be delivered to personnel of the Ministry of Public Health at the entry point to the country.

- Every passenger who enters the country, over 16 years of age, must present a completed vaccination certificate against COVID-19 where at least 14 days have passed since second/complete doses or in turn a negative result of a RT-PCR test in taken up to 72 hours prior to boarding to Ecuador. Crewmembers are exempt from these requirements.

- For visitors over two years and under 16 years of age, the presentation of a negative result of a RT-PCR test carried out up to 72 hours prior to boarding to Ecuador is mandatory.



- All passengers whose point of origin, stopover or transit is Brazil or India must present a negative RT-PCR test carried out up to 72 hours prior to boarding the flight to Ecuador, this requirement is mandatory regardless of whether the passengers are already vaccinated. In addition, they must undergo preventive isolation for 10 days at their homes or in any place of accommodation of their choosing and at the expense of the traveler, regardless of the result of the diagnostic test for COVID-19 and their immigration status. In the event that the passenger has COVID-19 symptoms, they must report this occurrence through the web link enabled for this purpose.

- Transit passengers from countries other than Brazil or India need not present a negative result of an RT-PCR test or a vaccination card against COVID-19.
- All passengers who, upon arrival in Ecuador, present symptoms related to COVID-19, (fever, cough, general malaise, loss of smell, loss of taste, among others) regardless of the result of their RT-PCR test, will be evaluated by the personnel of the Ministry of Public Health prior to entering the migration area.
- If it is determined that it is a "suspected case", a rapid antigen test (nasopharyngeal swab) will be carried out. If the result is positive, the passenger must perform ten (10) days of isolation after the date of sample collection in their domicile or in any place of lodging of election and cost of the traveler. For contact tracing, the passenger must report the people he or she had been in contact with. This information must be included in the Traveler's Health Declaration. In the event that the rapid antigen test is negative, the passenger is not obliged to isolate, but must report symptoms suggestive of COVID-19.

CONDITIONS FOR ENTERING THE PROVINCE OF GALAPAGOS

The new guidelines approved by the Government come into effect as of 00:00 on September 11, 2021.

Every person, regardless of their migratory status, must comply with the following when entering the province of Galapagos:

FOREIGN/NATIONAL TOURISTS AND/OR GALAPAGOS RESIDENTS:

- All passengers over 2 years of age must present a negative RT-PCR test taken up to 72 hours before boarding the flight.
- Any person whose point of origin, stopover or transit is Brazil or India, must comply with the requirements for entering continental Ecuador, described above, prior to entering the province of Galapagos.
- Additionally, for the entry of national or foreign tourists, the traffic control card issued by the Special Regime Government Council of the Galapagos will be requested.



COVID PRECAUTIONS:

TRANSPORT

1. All vehicles will be sanitised daily.
2. Maintain the distance, the distribution inside the vehicle will be according to the Biosafety protocols and will be socially distanced as much as possible, it is requested to respect the assigned seat during the whole day.
3. Masks will be worn by our staff and our guests whilst travelling on the transport for all the tour
4. We will clean on a daily basis our entire vehicles during tours. Today we added extra cleaning processes including sanitizing the vehicle after each excursion.



COVID PRECAUTIONS:

ACCOMMODATION

1. The hotels, haciendas and lodges we work with have been carefully selected and apply the mandatory biosecurity protocols in their establishments, so we work closely with them to ensure that they comply with the required health, safety and hygiene standards.
2. Upon arrival at the hotel, your bags will be sanitized and a person will help you with your luggage. Our main recommendation is that you carry your own luggage, but you will always have our help to carry your luggage.
It is always important to wash your hands with soap and water.
3. **MASKS**
It is mandatory to wear a mask in all social areas of the hotel, to keep a distance and to wash hands continuously.



COVID PRECAUTIONS:

EXCURSIONS:



Avoid crowds:

4. The visits planned in the itinerary will be organized to avoid crowds.
5. Ecuador allows us to do activities outdoors and in places with fewer tourists so that you feel safer.
6. In all the visit sites we will keep the distance and the use of the mask will continue to be mandatory.
7. It is important that you always carry with you the alcohol gel, to be able to buy souvenirs and local products, so when you receive the change of money your guide and you will be aware to disinfect your hands.

EQUIPMENT

8. The equipment that will be used before and after each adventure trip departure will be sanitised (Snorkel equipment, kayaks, etc). All the equipment provided will be of exclusive use for each guest for the duration of the trip

COVID PRECAUTIONS:

MEALS

9. Our food service partners have been selected carefully and we will work closely with them to ensure they are meeting our health, safety, and hygiene standards.
10. Wherever possible we will reserve separate tables or private dining areas. We will eat outside in the fresh air wherever possible.

