



TRAVELLING CLASSROOM



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WELCOME

Now that you are our new student, we can't wait to welcome you to our Ecuadorean schools, teach you Spanish, show you the diversity of Ecuador, and do the most amazing activities while creating lifelong memories!

It's only a short time left until you join the adventure. If you are looking for some more information about transportation, addresses, activities and accommodation, please continue reading and you will find out all you need to know!

Every student can start at a different destination, so you don't have to follow the order of this document.



QUITO

You will be staying in the capital of Ecuador surrounded by highlands and volcanic peaks. During your stay you will live with a welcoming host family in a private bedroom with two meals provided daily. If Quito is your first destination, you will receive your homestay details two weeks in advance. If not, you will receive the information from your current school.

Included in this amazing week are a trip to the 'Mitad del Mundo', an excursion to Cotopaxi National Park, a tour of the old town and visits to museums, salsa classes and an Ecuadorean cooking class.

If Quito is not your last destination, you will travel by bus for around 9 hours to Cuenca or have a transfer to the Amazon.



ITINERARY - QUITO

Monday	
08:30 - 12:30	Spanish Group lessons
Tuesday	
08:30 - 12:30	Spanish Group lessons
14:00 - 17:00	Discover the secrets of Quito's old town
Wednesday	
08:30 - 12:30	Spanish Group lessons
12:30 - 13:15	Cooking lessons : Traditional recipe from Ecuadorian cuisine
13:30 - 17:00	Visit to "Mitad del Mundo"
Thursday	
08:30 - 12:30	Spanish Group lessons
(13:30 - 17:00)	Quito's cable car (this activity could be rescheduled in case of bad weather)
17:00 - 19:00	Salsa lessons
Friday	
08:30 - 12:30	Spanish Group lessons - free afternoon
Saturday	
07:30 - 18:00	Visit the Cotopaxi National Park, the highest active volcano in the world. (Due to volcanic activity, the tour could be changed to another touristic attraction like Otavalo or Quilotoa lake)
Sunday	
06:00	Transfer to Cuenca, you will travel by bus around 9 hours or transfer to Amazon, if Quito is not the last location

*\$35 additional if student requests airport pick up)

Included:

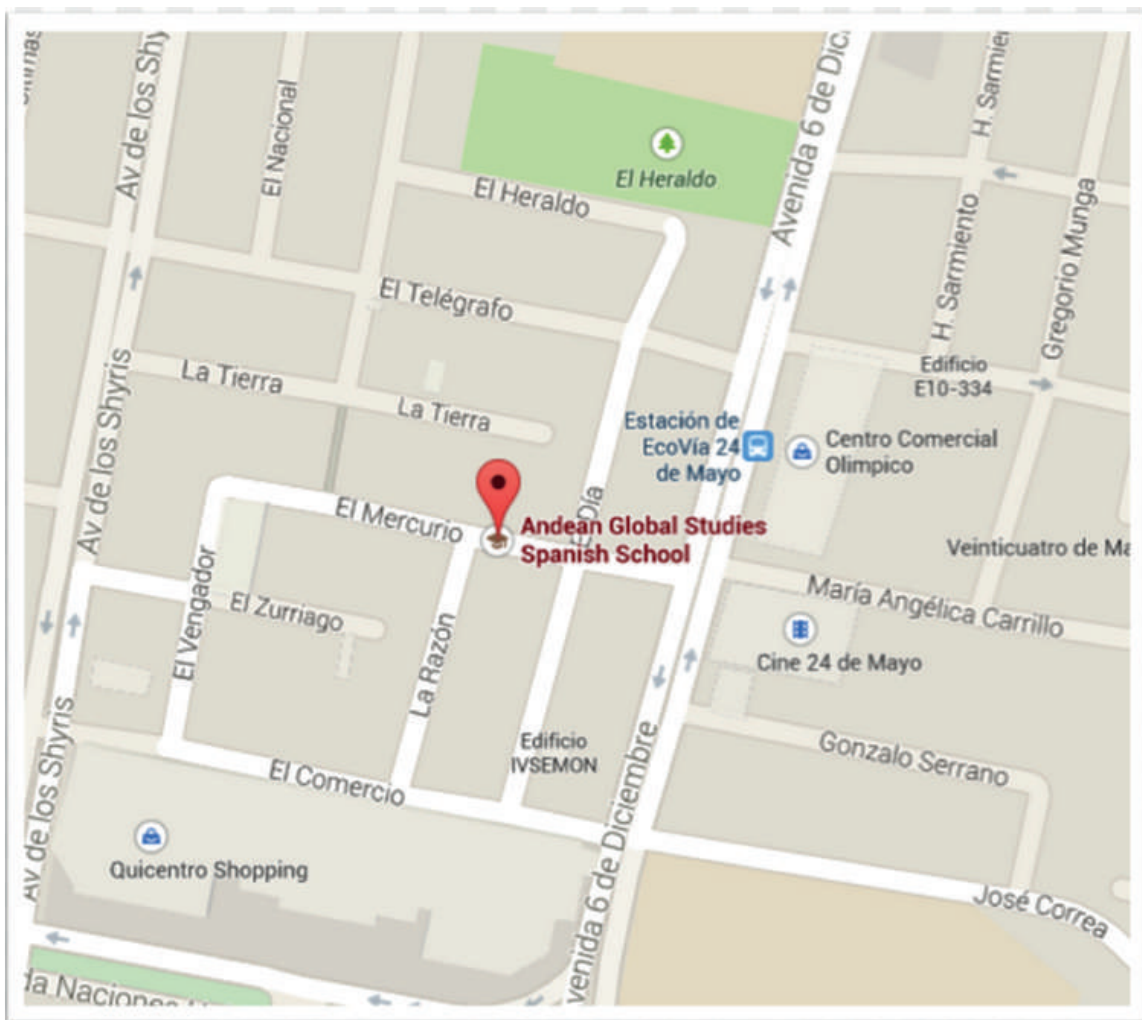
Spanish group tuition of 4 hours a day including a 20-minute break, host family (private bedroom, half board and laundry service)

CONTACT INFORMATION

Address

Mercurio E 10-23 y la Razón
Quito , Ecuador

Please have a look on our map



AMAZON

Learn Spanish in the most biodiverse area of the Ecuadorean Amazon Rainforest. You will stay in a shared dorm and full board (three meals provided daily), while following 20 hours of group Spanish classes. Our school in the jungle promotes a sustainable balance with indigenous communities, traditional cultural values and the natural environment.

During your week in the jungle you will build your own raft and use it to go down the river, trek to discover the Island of Birds and wonderful vegetation, and visit indigenous communities where you use a blowgun and drink a traditional Chicha drink. You can participate in the cultural activities such as gold washing and artisanal fishing. Some weeks we also visit the Amazonian animal rescue center.

If the Amazon isn't your last destination, you will take a transfer bus to Quito airport and fly to Manta.



ITINERARY - AMAZON

Sunday	
13:00 and 17:00	Transfer to and lunch at the eco lodge. Artisanal chocolate demonstration
Monday	
08:30 - 11:30	Spanish Group lessons
13:30 - 16:00	Canoe tour
Tuesday	
08:30 - 11:30	Spanish Group lessons
13:30 - 16:00	Cooking lessons : Traditional recipe from Ecuadorian cuisine
Wednesday	
08:30 - 11:30	Spanish Group lessons
13:30 - 16:00	Shared dorm and full board + classes of 4 x 45 minutes or 3 x 60 minutes per day
Thursday	
08:30 - 12:30	Spanish Group lessons
13:30 - 16:00	Tubing down the river
Friday	
08:30 - 12:30	Spanish Group lessons
13:30 - 16:00	Visit animal rescue center
Saturday	
Free day	
Optional activity: waterfalls rafting and visiting butterfly farm (35 USD)	
Sunday	
07:30	Transfer to Quito in private transport, if the Amazon is not the last location

*Activities may vary or be cancelled according to weather conditions or other force majeure

Included:	
Shared dorm and full board + classes of 4 x 45 minutes or 3 x 60 minutes per day	

CONTACT INFORMATION - AMAZON

Adress

Canton ahuano 10 minutes further
into the jungle
Provincia napo
40 minutes away from Tena

CUENCA

Going to school in a UNESCO World Heritage Site will be your week in Cuenca. Enjoy this historic center in the eternal spring while you witness the abundance of art, colonial buildings, and cultural and music events. Cuenca offers a great place for shopping, renowned for its silver jewelry and quality leather and handicrafts. You will stay with a host family in a private bedroom, with half board and laundry service. Your family will pick you up. If Cuenca is your first destination you will receive the host family details two weeks in advance; if not, you will receive the information from your current school in Ecuador.

Your week in Cuenca will be filled with many activities such as a salsa class, a city tour, a visit to the stunning central bank museum, a traditional Ecuadorian cooking class, a visit to the archeological site of Incapirca, the ruins of Pumapungo and the Inca garden. Looking for some thrills you really can't find at home? You can also include a day trip to Baños, a thermal spa.

Your transfer by bus to Manta is included if Cuenca isn't your final destination.



ITINERARY - CUENCA

Sunday	
15:00 - 16:00	Transfer from the bus terminal to your host family
Monday	
08:00 - 13:00	Spanish Group lessons
15:00 - 17:00	City tour of Cuenca
Tuesday	
08:00 - 13:00	Spanish Group lessons
15:00 - 17:00	Cooking lessons : Traditional recipe from Ecuadorian cuisine
Wednesday	
08:00 - 13:00	Spanish Group lessons
15:00 - 17:00	Visit to the Central Bank Museum: Ruins of Pumping and the Inca Garden
Thursday	
08:00 - 13:00	Spanish Group lessons
15:00 - 17:00	Salsa class
Friday	
08:00 - 16:00	Visit to Ingapirca
Saturday	
	Free day
	Optional activity not included in programme (Baños)
Sunday	
07:30	Transfer to Manta by bus, if Cuenca is not the last location

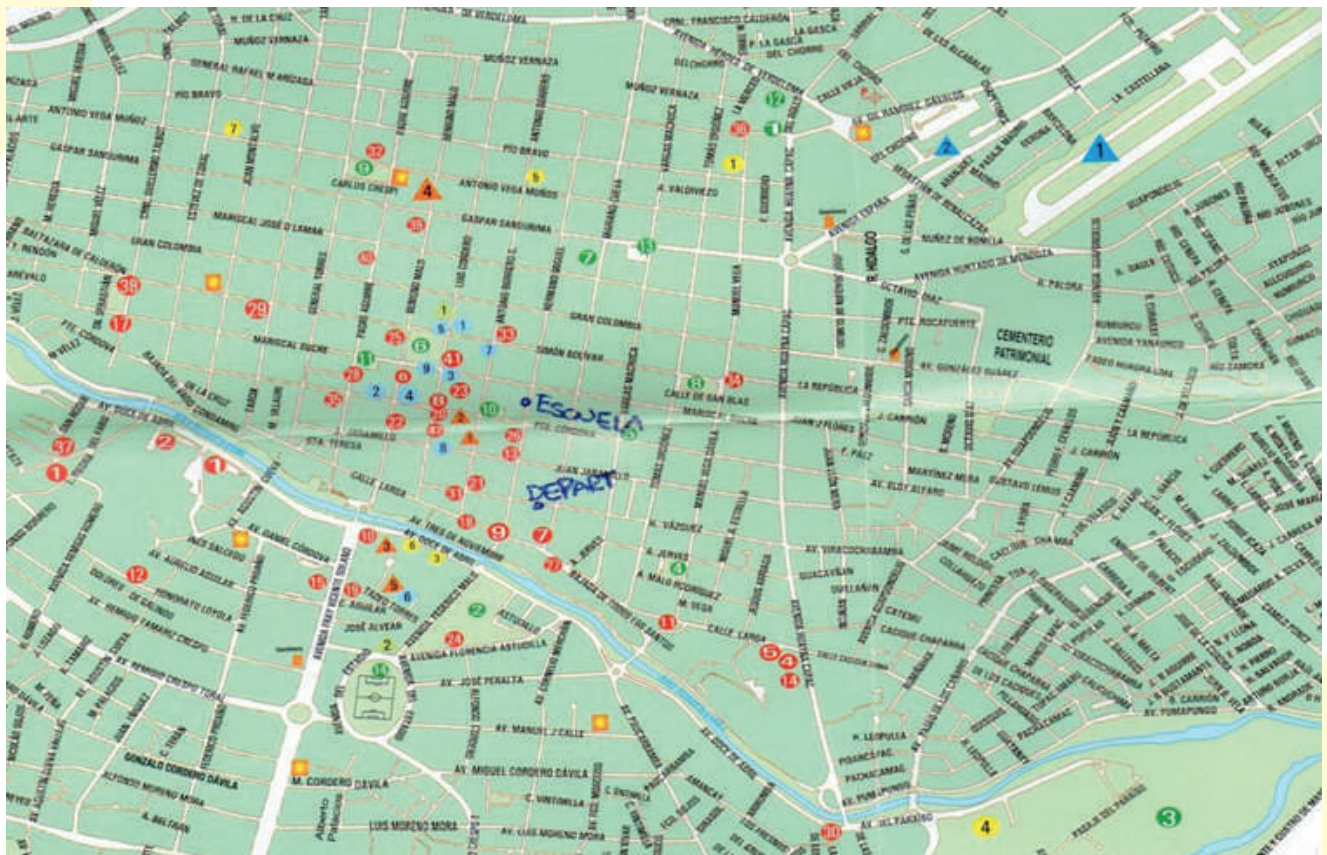
*In case you are the only student in your class, you will receive 4 hours per day for 4 days, total: 16 hours

Included:	
Spanish Group Tuition of 4 hours a day including a 20-minute break, host family (private bedroom, half board and laundryservice)	

CONTACT INFORMATION - CUENCA

Address

Hermano Miguel 7-48 entre
Sucre y Presidente Córdova
Cuenca, Azuay , Ecuador



MANTA

Learn Spanish in one of our intimate classrooms, on the rooftop where you can enjoy the beautiful view of the Pacific Ocean, or next to the swimming pool, where you can take a refreshing dip. Manta is well known for the many tuna fishing businesses and its great sea life. You won't get bored here! Explore the best seafood in one of the many restaurants and enjoy wonderful beaches on the coast side of Ecuador.

You will be staying with a host family in a private bedroom with half board. If Manta is your first destination, you will receive the host family details two weeks in advance. Otherwise you receive the information from your current school in Ecuador. You will be picked up at the airport in Manta or at the bus station and we will bring you to the family.

In addition to the 20 hours of Spanish group classes, there are lots of amazing activities. We go on a trip to Montecristi (origin of Panama hats) where we visit Museo Ciudad Alfaro. Here you can see an impressive overview of the Ecuadorian history. We will go paragliding in Crucita, visit the 'Tagua' handicraft shops and a tour to Isla de la Plata, where you can enjoy rare and exotic wildlife including blue-footed boobies and nesting albatrosses. Last but not least you can participate in a salsa dancing class and an Ecuadorean cooking class.

If Manta is not your last destination, you will take a transfer bus to Montanita.



ITINERARY - MANTA

Sunday	
15:00 - 16:00	Transfer in, from the bus terminal to your host family
Monday	
08:00 - 12:00	Spanish Group lessons
Afternoon	Cooking class
Tuesday	
08:00 - 13:00	Spanish Group lessons
Afternoon	Paragliding in Crucita and visit to "Tagua" handicraft shops (ivory nut)
Wednesday	
08:00 - 12:00	Spanish Group lessons
Afternoon	Optional visit Santa Marianita or visit silver Island beach club in San Mateo
Thursday	
08:00 - 12:00	Spanish Group lessons
Afternoon	Visit to Eloy Alfaro museum + Montecristi (origin of 'panama hats')
Friday	
08:00 - 12:00	Spanish Group lessons
Afternoon	Salsa class
Saturday	
All day	Isla de la Plata (amazing wildlife, similar to Galapagos), snorkeling and whale watching (in season)
Sunday	
09:00	Transfer to Montañita by bus if Manta is not the last location

*In case you are the only student in your class, you will receive 4 hours per day for 4 days, total: 16 hours

Included:

Included: Spanish group Tuition of 4 hours a day including a 20-minute break, host family (private bedroom, breakfast and dinner)

CONTACT INFORMATION - MANTA

Address

Calle U 8 y Avenida
Universitaria 2
Ciudadela Universitaria
Manta, Ecuador



MONTAÑITA

Learn Spanish in one of the most well known surf destinations in the world. Montañita is the perfect place to come if you are looking to improve your Spanish skills. While here, you can enjoy everything that coastal Ecuador has to offer such as sandy beaches, world-class surfing, wildlife, culture and of course a nightlife that is second to none. The local people of Montañita are extremely open and inviting, you will have no problems finding someone with whom to practice those new skills you have been working on in class.

In addition to the 20 hours of Spanish group classes, there are lot of activities. Besides the salsa and yoga classes during the week, there is a surftrip planned on Saturday.



ITINERARY - MONTAÑITA

Sunday	
15:00 - 16:00	Arrival in Montañita, to the dorms (Montañita Cabañas) (optional: airport transfer from Guayaquil \$100)
Monday	
4 hours	Spanish Group lessons
1.5 hours	Surfing lessons
Tuesday	
4 hours	Spanish Group lessons
1.5 hours	Surfing lessons
Wednesday	
4 hours	Spanish Group lessons
1.5 hours	Surfing lessons
Thursday	
4 hours	Spanish Group lessons
1.5 hours	Surfing lessons
Friday	
4 hours	Spanish Group lessons
1.5 hours	Surfing lessons
Saturday	
09:30	Surf trip to nearby beaches
Sunday	
10:00 am	Transfer to Quito, transportation by bus if Montañita is not the last location

*In case you are the only student in your class, you will receive 4 hours per day for 4 d

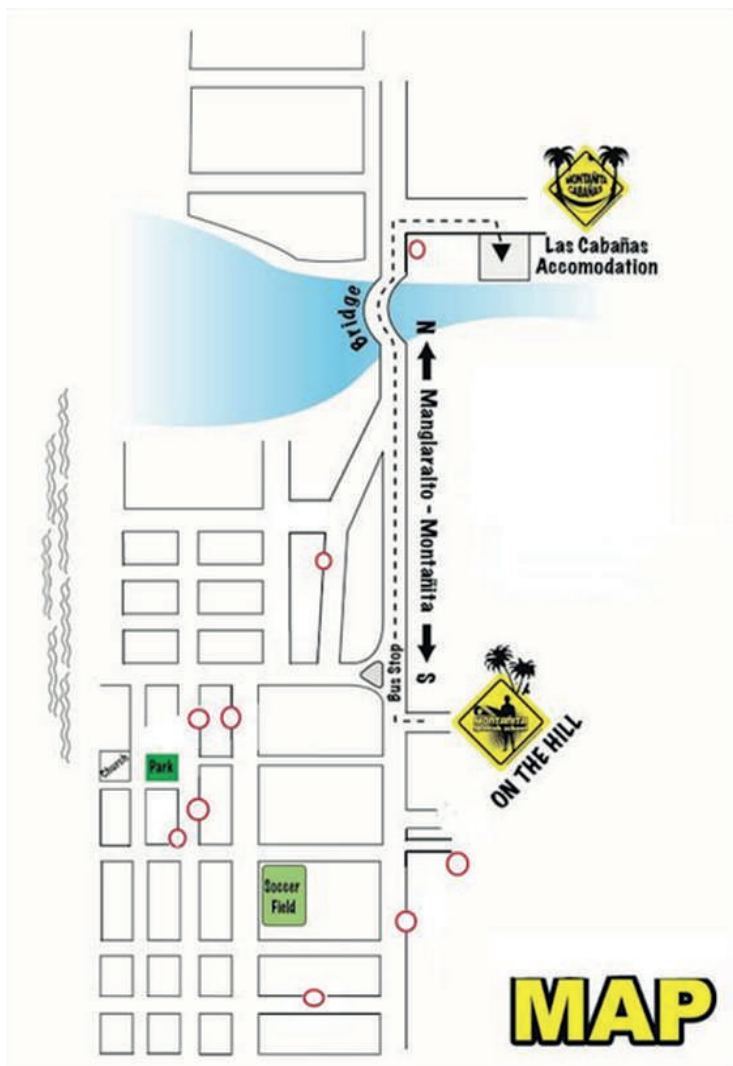
Included:

Included: Spanish group tuition of 4 hours a day, 5 surf classes, 1 yoga or salsa class, cooking classes, surf trip
7 nights shared dorm at Montañita Cabañas

CONTACT INFORMATION - MONTAÑITA

Address

Via Calle Principal en Montañita
50 metros antes del Paradero de buses
(On the main street, upon the hill
50 meters before the bus stop).



CHECKLIST

- o Pen
- o Notebook
- o Adapter for type A or B.
- o Swimming wear
- o Towel
- o Sunglasses
- o Sunblock
- o Sunglasses
- o Mosquito repellent (also long sleeved tops and lightlong trousers are recommended)
- o Light clothing
- o Rain jacket
- o Warm clothes
- o Torch/flashlight
- o Supportive socks for boots which are provided
- o Good walking shoes
- o Dollars (notes no larger than \$10 if possible, as change can be a problem)