

# Tren del Cacao

Guayaquil – Hacienda La Danesa | Full day (08:00 to 17:50) | Saturday or Sunday

**Starts at Guayaquil on Saturday Sep 16<sup>th</sup> or Sunday Sep. 17<sup>th</sup>.**

## Duran – San Antonio (Hacienda La Danesa) – Duran

Discover the historical route that resembles the construction of the Trans-Andean railway from the intense coastal plains to the majestic Andes while visiting the exclusive Hacienda La Danesa. The property was established in 1870 along with the first railway stations built in the Ecuadorian coast. Discover life in a classic “Montubia” hacienda while learning how to prepare artisans chocolate with cocoa harvested from the best plantations in the world and enjoy cuisine in a “farm to fork” style with local produced ingredients in a sustainable manner from the very same hacienda.

## Itinerary

**08:00** Departure by train to San Antonio with a short stopover at Yaguachi. The landscape changes as we move forward from painteresque rural to endless sugar cane, banana, rice and cocoa plantations. Yearly floods from the rivers, while they run from the Andes to the Pacific coast, enriches the soil and restores its fertility.

**10:50** Arrival to Hacienda La Danesa. Established in 1870, the 500 acres hacienda breeds Swiss-Brown cattle and grows cocoa at its own plantation. Our guests will learn how to prepare hand-made chocolate! Gourmet lunch at the hacienda.

**14:45** Departure to Duran by train.

**17:40** Arrival to Duran railway station.

### Booking information

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## **Rate: US\$ 65pp – only available for buyers**

### **What is Included?**

Train ticket, guidance during the itinerary, snacks and non-alcoholic beverages on board, chocolate tasting, lunch and activities at Hacienda La Danesa.

### **What is Extra?**

Alcoholic beverages, tips, transportation from/to Duran Train Station or services not detailed in the itinerary

### **Travel Tips**

**CLOTHING:** Wear layers, clothes for warm-humid weather, comfortable walking shoes, hat, sunscreen (SPF 70 at least), sunglasses, camera, cash and insect repellent.

**ALTITUDE:** From 80 to 320 meters above sea level. Temperature from 25° to 34°C.

**IMPORTANT:** At Duran station free, guarded parking station is available for our clients.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** All itineraries are subjected to change due to force majeure or technical, operational circumstances. Please check our policy regarding refunds and cancellations. At Tren Ecuador we are committed to providing the best possible travel experience.

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