

## ITINERARY

## Day: Saturday 16th September 2017 Mangrove Wildlife Tour + Fine Ecuadorian Cacao Experience



After breakfast, departure to Puerto el Morro from Guayaquil. The journey time will be approximately 90 minutes by private transport. The Mangroves El Morro, are part of the national system of Protected Areas of Ecuador.

It was created on September 13, 2007 and has an area of 10.130,16 hectares. Its climate is directly influenced by the ocean currents that come from the Pacific Ocean, its ecosystem, differs from the interior areas since it is located at the entrance of the Gulf of Guayaquil.

Upon arrival at Puerto Morro, we will take a motor boat where we will enjoy a tour of

mangroves. If we are lucky we will be able to see the natural bottlenose dolphins that play around the boats. Regarding the flora, there are four species of mangroves: white, black, red, and yellow. Among the fauna, there are typical birds of this area such as frigates or peak of spatula heron.

After enjoying from a delicious lunch by the Pacific Ocean, we will arrive to Cerecita Valley, to visit a traditional cocoa plantation. There are many types of cocoa, but only one is Fino de Aroma from Ecuador, also known as "Arriba".

At Hacienda Victoria you will experience each of the chocolate process's steps, the sowing, the plantation, the harvest, the fermentation and the drying, arriving to our chocolate factory where we will be able to savor this delicious product.

\*4 guests minimum are required for this tour to operate.

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