**Traverse Journeys:** Registration Form

**Amazon Encounter Ecuador**

**February 4-9, 2018**

**Custom Dates**

We’re thrilled to have you join us! For a smooth registration please follow these directions:

1. Fill out the whole registration form (p. 1-2).
2. Read the Registration Terms and Terms & Conditions (p. 3).
3. Sign and date p. 2 and send in to hello@traversejourneys.com
4. Receive an invoice to pay by credit card link. Once processed you’ll receive confirmation.
5. Start planning and get packing!

**Registrant Information**

**Name:** **Age (optional):**

**Address:** **Phone:** **E-mail:**

**How did you hear about us?** **[ ]** Facebook [ ] Peaceful Fruits [ ] Meetup Other:

**Additional Traveler Information**

**Total # Travelers in group:**

**Name(s):**

**E-mail(s):**

**Will you pay together or separately?**

*If paying separately, please provide one registration form per participant.*

**Package Customization** *Select all that apply:*

**[ ]  $2995 Base package, double occupancy** [ ]  Kids’ pricing (<5 free, 6-11 25% off)

*(grouped by same gender only unless specified otherwise)* Notes:

**Requested Dates:** [ ]  Feb 4-9, 2018 [ ]  Custom Dates:

**Requested room type:** [ ]  Double (2 single beds, sleeps 2) [ ]  Family (1 king + 4 single beds)

*Add-ons and discounts:*

**[ ]  +$350 Single supplement** **[ ]  $250** Quito night, per room       # Nights

**[ ]  +$25 Chocolate making class** **[ ]  +$25 Cooking class** **[ ]  +$25 Crafting class**

**PROMO CODE:**

**TOTAL TRIP PRICE TO BE INVOICED: $**

**Payment plan:**

[ ]  Full amount upon booking [ ]  $500 non-refundable deposit; balance net 30

*All payments due 1/4/2018*

**Dietary Restrictions:** *(check all that apply)*

[ ]  Vegetarian [ ] Vegan [ ] Celiac [ ] Gluten Free (non-Celiac) [ ]  Dairy Free

[ ]  I have a serious food allergy Food:

Notes or comments:

**REGISTRATION TERMS**

**Trip includes:**

* Transfers + Quito-Coca air, van, boat transfers
* 1 night Quito B&B, 4 nights eco lodge
* All meals starting lunch on arrival day and lunch on departure day
* Daily excursions including hikes, canoe rides, and wildlife viewing
* Boat trip, local guide and entrance to the Yasuní National park
* Community engagement activity with the Sani Warmi women’s project (see p.4)
* 1 Traverse trip lead + local guides available 24/7
* Cultural education seminar and guidance

**Trip Does Not Include:**

* International airfare
* Additional excursions and activities
* Required travel insurance

**Cancellation Policy**

We get that life happens, and we wish we could compensate for unforeseen circumstances, but we begin to incur costs the moment you book (if not before). Therefore, cancellations are 100% non-refundable. However, we do allow for last minute transfers of the same gender for a $150 admin fee. Please notify us immediately in the case of a transfer.

**Travel Insurance**

Travel insurance is required for all trips with Traverse, and must cover injury, medical, evacuation, and repatriation as well as trip cancellation and trip interruption. Most insurance companies require purchase to be made within 2-3 weeks of booking for full benefits (in particular, trip cancellation). Once insurance is obtained, a copy must be sent to Traverse. *Failure to provide proof of insurance within 30 days of booking will result in trip booking suspension until proof of insurance has been provided.* We suggest using [Wanderwell](https://gowanderwell.com/#!/), a B-Corp Certified provider, or you can choose from any carrier that meets our requirements.

**Check in/Check out**

Please plan to arrive by 3:00 p.m. and after 5:00 p.m. on start/end of trip. If your arrival/departure times are before/after we will make our best effort to accommodate your needs but cannot promise early/late check-in/check out due to limitations with domestic flight schedules.

**Questions or comments:**

**Agreement**

I have read and agree to the **Registration Terms** above and **Terms & Conditions** attached, as indicated by my signature (either electronic or pen) below.

Signature:       Date:      \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Traverse Journeys Terms & Conditions**

**Deposit**

A $500 non-refundable deposit is required for each traveler to secure the booking.

**Payment**

Payments can be made either by 1) full payment on booking 2) $500 deposit on booking + payment schedule below. Payments will be invoiced via e-mail for credit card or Paypal payment online. To pay by check, please indicate on registration and make check payable to Traverse Travels and send to PO Box 40516, Austin, TX 78704.

Payment terms, trips 90+ days out:

$500 Deposit due on booking (non-refundable)

50% remainder Due 30 days after booking (refundable up to 90 days before trip start)

Remainder Due 30 days before trip start date (non-refundable)

Payment terms, trips between 90-30 days out:

$500 Deposit due on booking (non-refundable)

50% remainder Due 30 days after booking (non-refundable)

Remainder Due 30 days before trip start date (non-refundable)

Payment terms, trips 30 or fewer days out:

100% Due on booking, non-refundable

**Incidentals**

Any incidentals caused by traveler to the accommodations, transit providers, or any Traverse partners are at the traveler’s expense. Incidentals include but are not limited to damage or theft of property and any expenses charged to Traverse for these reasons will be billed to the traveler using the credit card provided.

**Cancellation, Refunds and Transfers**

Cancellations, less the trip deposit ($500), are refundable up to 90 days prior to the trip start date. Please refer to the full Payment Plan for details. We do allow for last minute transfers of the same gender for a $150 admin fee. Please notify us immediately in the case of a transfer.

**Cancellation by Us**

There is no minimum for the Ecuador Amazon Encounter Traverse trip in order for us to operate the trip. Traverse reserves the right to cancel for any reason including force majeure and adverse environmental or political circumstances beyond our control. Every effort will be made on the part of Traverse to a) not cancel b) should the trip be cancelled assist client to obtain refunds either through insurance, Traverse or by other means.

**Documents, Personal Identification, Vaccinations**

Traveler is responsible for all required travel documents including passport, visas, entry or exit fees, and vaccinations. Traverse does not cover the cost or assist in obtaining any of the above, and reserves the right to collect information on all.

**Limitations & Liabilities**

To the extent permitted by law, you release Traverse (including owners, directors, officers, employees, consultants, contractors, partners, agents and volunteers) from any liability for any damage, loss, liability or injury you may suffer in relation to your participation in the trip, package, activity you purchased through Traverse. You accept responsibility for your own actions and acknowledge that you are responsible for your own safety and for the safety of any children accompanying you. You acknowledge that your trip destination may be unfamiliar to you, and that you should be careful and prudent at all times. You are responsible for your own property and wellbeing, and you will not hold Traverse responsible for any losses or damages.

**Jurisdiction**

These terms and conditions shall be governed by the law of the State of Texas and of the United States of America where applicable. Any disputes regarding these terms and conditions shall be resolved exclusively in the courts of the State of Texas, United States of America.

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Add-ons & Excursions

**Amazon Encounter Ecuador**

**Cooking Class**

Join the Sani Warmi women for a special cooking class to learn how to prepare native preparations of yucca, plantain and fish for a traditional preparation called *maito.* You’ll get to engage with them women (translators will be present) while learning about plants of the forest and culinary customs of the area.

**Chocolate Making Class**

Join the Sani Warmi women to learn about chocolate from the forest; where it grows, how it’s harvested, and how it’s prepared and used. You’ll get to taste various preparations and dishes made with the organic chocolate grown on a farm nearby.

**Sani Warmi Crafting**

The Sani Warmi women’s project was born after the community expressed their desire to focus on revitalizing traditional handicrafts to provide a new income stream from sustainably sourced forest materials and help promote traditional artisan practices of the Kichwa peope, bringing pride back into their self identity and way of life, while protecting their forest home. Read the fascinating story of how it all began [here](https://rainforestpartnership.org/projects/sani-isla/).

In our workshop, you’ll learn traditional craft-making techniques that use seeds and plant fibers found in the rainforest to create handmade accessories like bracelets, necklaces, earrings and handbags. You’ll learn about the more than 2,000 native species of plants (such as such as Calmito, Tahua, Pita and Shiguango muyu) in the area that can be used in craft production and learn how the project plays a large role in protecting over 50,000 acres of pristine rainforest land from outside threats.