

Tips for foreign travellers who come to Ecuador.

In Ecuador:

- 1.- It is advisable to get a map of the best places to visit in the country.
- 2.- It is helpful to get a good tourist guide as soon as you get to Ecuador.
- 3.- It is important to take good care of your luggage when you arrive to the airport.
- 4.- It is okay to be dressed up informal or with comfortable clothing. However, you should dress up conservatively.
- 5.- It's not acceptable to smoke in public or closed places such as cinemas, classrooms, theaters and so on.
- 6.- It is usual that Ecuadorians are kind and always willing to help tourists.
- 7.- It is usual that people greet you by shaking hands or kissing you on the cheek.
- 8.- It is okay if you ask Ecuadorians to pose with you for a photograph since they are very friendly.
- 9.- It is respectful to say "thank you" whenever somebody does a favor.
- 10.- It is not okay if you don't accept any souvenir somebody has offered you, because they might feel offended. However, keep in mind you should only accept souvenirs from Ecuadorians you know, DO NOT accept anything from strangers.
- 11.- It is very important to remember Ecuadorians like hanging out with tourist, but it is always recommendable to know the person you are hanging out with. It's better if you are always with Ecuadorians you know well or relatives.
- 12.- It is polite to arrive on time whenever you are invited to someone's house.
- 13.- It is rude if you make too much noise in forbidden places.
- 14.- It is not okay to spit in public places.
- 15.- It is rude to get in fights or quarrels in public places.
- 16.- It perfectly normal to hold hands with your girlfriend or boyfriend in public.
- 17.- It is wonderful if you want to come back to Ecuador at any time, you will always be welcome here.