CUYABENO LODGE PRICING & INFO

WE ARE ON THE BEST SPOT IN CUYABENO:

An island near the shore of Lake Cuyabeno

Thank you for your interest in our CUYABENO LODGE, the first lodge in Cuyabeno. As the first lodge in Cuyabeno, of course, we chose the best location: an island near the shore of Lake Cuyabeno. Visits support the conservation of the Cuyabeno Wildlife Reserve, and we are the only lodge that provides employment for the entire Siona indigenous community. Our Cuyabeno Lodge was founded by its owner, conservation ecologist Dr. Daan Vreugdenhil. Under his capable leadership, we are proud to offer top-notch programs led by the best guides of the reserve. With five levels of luxury, we accommodate a wide range of preferences and budgets.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT CUYABENO LODGE

When we began organizing tours in 1986, we soon realized that Amazon rainforest travelers needed accommodations that were both **harmonious** with the jungle as well as attuned to a certain degree of comfort. How visitors experience their level of comfort varied per person, but everybody wants hot showers. So, when we started building our Cuyabeno Lodge, we built rooms with varies levels of comfort with hot showers for all. Initially we only built wooden cabins with thatched roofs in the style of the indigenous houses. Later we added more buildings with larger and even better rooms.

Our lodge has a romantic restaurant with a drinks bar covered with a thatched roof, which we completely remodeled recently. We serve “home cooked” dishes, as well as some traditional Ecuadorian specialties, and we can cater to dietary requirements.

Additionally, we built a recreation room with comfortable wall sofas and cute hammocks, while our look-out tower has a fascinating view over the lake. Electricity is provided by **solar energy, while an excellent Internet service** is provided by Starlink. Our **naturalist guides are bilingual,** and the **canoe transportation is provided by the local Siona Indians community**.

CUYABENO LODGE AND THE CUYABENO WILDLIFE RESERVE

Initiated, developed and is run by the world renowned conservationist, Dr. Daan Vreugdenhil, our Cuyabeno Lodge was the first of its kind in all Latin America. In fact, he proposed the original Cuyabeno Wildlife Reserve (then 150,000 ha) as well as the Yasuni (900,000 ha) National Park in 1976 to the government as a part of a United Nations project to develop a national system of protected areas for Ecuador. In the mid-80 he proposed extending Cuyabeno to the border with Peru quadrupling its size to about 600.000 hectares of virgin rainforest.

The Amazon of Ecuador possesses an **incredible variety of Neotropical wildlife** including such icons as: river dolphins, caimans, anacondas, 10 species of monkey, spiders, and butterflies. Bird life is spectacular: the prehistoric-looking hoatzin, the umbrella bird, the blue-headed parrot, the blue-and-yellow macaw, and the legendary harpy eagle.

Read more about the history of Cuyabeno from those links:

- https://www.cuyabenolodge.com/amazon-rainforest/amazon-holiday.htm
- https://www.cuyabenolodge.com/Dr.Daan.Vreugdenhil.htm
- https://www.cuyabenolodge.com/who-we-are/

Home to the Siona tribe we collaborate with them in many ways providing a lot of employment. The Cuyabeno Wildlife Reserve and our Cuyabeno Lodge are unique places in the Amazon rainforest that give visitors the best opportunity to observe the Flora and Fauna and interact with the Siona communities.

2027 RATES - PER PERSON

ROOM TYPE	3 DAYS / 2 NIGHTS	4 DAYS / 3 NIGHTS	5 DAYS / 4 NIGHTS
Suite	$419	$499	$579
Deluxe Room	$379	$459	$539
Standard Plus Room	$339	$419	$499
Standard Room	$299	$379	$459
Dormitory*	$239	$279	$349

- The minimum number is 2 passengers in a group. Solo travelers can only be accepted when there are other travelers that can be joined;
- **Mondays**, **Tuesdays** and **Fridays** are the lodge entry days for 2-3 passengers. Special arrangements may be made for groups of 4 or more;
- Transport between the park entry and the lodge are based on the private bus time by 11AM;
- Prices are based on double occupancy. During the high season there is a surcharge of USD $50 per person if the client wants to have the room just for him/herself).
- Children aged 5–12 get 30% off;
- Children 4 years and younger are free;
- *** The dormitory price is a limited time deal for a minimum of 4 persons or if there is another group you can join;**
- **All payments** are required 30 days prior to the program departure;
- **All payments** must be made via bank transfer, credit card, (we use the "WETRAVEL" (processing fee 3%) or deposit. All payments are due 30 days **BEFORE** the program begins.

Included in the Cuyabeno Lodge program:

- Excursions and canoe transportation;
- Bilingual naturalist guide;
- Accommodation with hot showers;
- All meals;
- Coffee, tea, drinking water;
- Use of rain ponchos and rubber boots.

Not Included in the program:

- Alcoholic beverages and bottled drinks;
- Personal expenses;
- Contribution of $10 per person during the visit to the Siona community;
- Transportation Quito – Cuyabeno – Quito or from other points of departure.

ADDITIONAL COSTS:

- Transfers Lago Agrio – Cuyabeno and visa versa $70 each way (1- 4 Pax); the costs vary depending on the number of pax;
- Private canoes are $120 additional per day (cost that the Siona boatmen charge us);
- Transfers from Cuyabeno to Coca and visa versa each way with a minumum of $140. The costs vary depending on the number of pax and vehicle availability;
- Canoe service for connecting with flights from and back to Coca requires additional canoe service at $120 per connection;
- French or German guides are $120 additional per day of the program, if available;

Vehicle	Route	Price (USD)
Pickup Truck	Lago → Cuyabeno	$ 70
	Coca → Cuyabeno	$ 140
	Cuyabeno → Quito	$ 260
Minivan (5 pax)	Lago → Cuyabeno	$ 90
	Coca → Cuyabeno	$ 160
	Cuyabeno → Quito	$ 300
Minibus (5 – 12 pax)	Lago → Cuyabeno	$ 110
	Coca → Cuyabeno	$ 220
	Cuyabeno → Quito	$ 450
Bus (12 – 30 pax)	Lago → Cuyabeno	$ 130
	Coca → Cuyabeno	$ 260
	Cuyabeno → Quito	$ 550

Please note that these prices are set by the transporter who can change its prices.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Prices are PER PERSON in USD dollars;
- Passports of ID copies for reservation to register with the park administration;
- All activities are subject to weather conditions and safety, at the guide's discretion;
- High season periods: January, February, June, July, August, November, and December;
- Meeting time (ETA) at the entrance of the Cuyabeno Wildlife Reserve is around 11:00 AM;
- Water levels are unpredictable. At low water levels, you may need to walk a little bit;
- The observation of specific species of animals can never be guaranteed;
- Please tells us about your dietary restrictions or preferences;
- **Mondays** , **Tuesdays** and **Fridays** are the lodge entry days for 2-3 passengers. Special arrangements may be made for groups of 4 or more;
- Departures from the park entry to the lodge and returns to Quito are based on the private bus arrivals by 11AM.

RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENTS

- A 50% deposit is required to reserve a tour;
- Total payment is required 30 days prior to the beginning of a tour;
- Reservations within 30 days before the tour require full payment for consolidating a reservation;
- For Ecuadorian nationals, the government charges 15% IVA.

CANCELLATION POLICIES

- A full refund will be offered for cancellations with at least 30 days' notice minus banking costs;
- A 50% refund will be offered for cancellations with 29 to 15 days' notice minus banking costs;
- No refunds can be given for cancellation notices of less than 15 days.
- Refunds only can be made in Ecuador, as overseas transfers are prohibitively expensive. If the client insists, he/she should absorb all banking costs.

HOW TO GET TO CUYABENO

PRIVATE BUS SERVICE

- There is privately operated tour bus service that departs the night before your program begins costing $37 USD each way / $74 USD round trip per person. Please note that these prices are set by the transporter who can change its prices.
- **Our entry dates are Mondays, Tuesdays** and **Frydays**.

See the table:



PUBLIC BUS SERVICES

- Night buses with the Putumayo bus line depart around 11:00 PM from Quito's Southern Terminal, Quitumbe. They arrive in the early morning at the entrance of Cuyabeno. Quitumbe is convenient as it can be reached by the Metro.
- During the day, there are hourly bus services to Cuyabeno from Quitumbe.

FLYING TO COCA

There are two Quito-Coca-Quito flights, both departing at 9:30 AM and taking 30 minutes:

1. Aereoregional (no flights on Sundays) which costs $110;
2. LATAM (daily flights) which cost up to $200;

Transfers from Coca – Cuyabeno cost $140 for up to 4 passengers and take about 3.5 hours. Additional fees apply for a special canoe transfers.

We recommend a hotel 5 minutes from the airport: **Hotel Quito Airport** with its own shuttle service to the airport for $8, available via Quito Airport Hotel, with prices around $30.

CUYABENO LODGE ACCOMMODATIONS

At the Cuyabeno Lodge, we provide comfortable accommodations with a wide range of room categories and configurations to make your stay a fabulous experience. We can customize your bed configurations as follows: Queen, double twin, single or families arrangements.

Suite: Includes a private balcony and large room with space for reading, private bathroom and dressing room. (36m^2 / 388 sq ft)





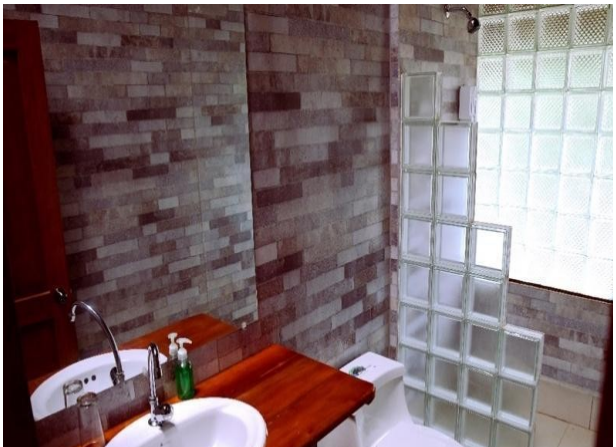
Deluxe: Includes a private balcony and large room with a private bathroom. (25m^2 / 269 sq ft)





Standard Plus: The standard plus rooms are in more spacious and comfortable, each with a private bathroom. They may arranged to accommodate a quadruple room for families. (18-23 m² / 194 - 248 sq ft)





Standard: Our standard rooms are in wooden cabins with thatched roofs, with hot showers. (17m^2 / 183 sq ft).





Dormitory: The dormitories with bunk beds are in wooden cabins with thatched roofs.



LIMITATION OF LIABILITY, ASSUMPTION OF RISK, AND INDEMNIFICATION

Independent Contractors and Third-Party Services: Neotropic Turis, Cia. Ltda. and the Cuyabeno Lodge (collectively, the "Company") act solely as an administrative booking facilitator for third-party transportation (including air, land, and water transfers), independent tour guides, canoe-operators, and external service providers. All guides, drivers, and operators are independent contractors or separate commercial entities. The Company exercises no operational control over these third parties and assumes no direct, indirect, vicarious, or consequential liability for the quality, timeliness, execution, or safety of their services.

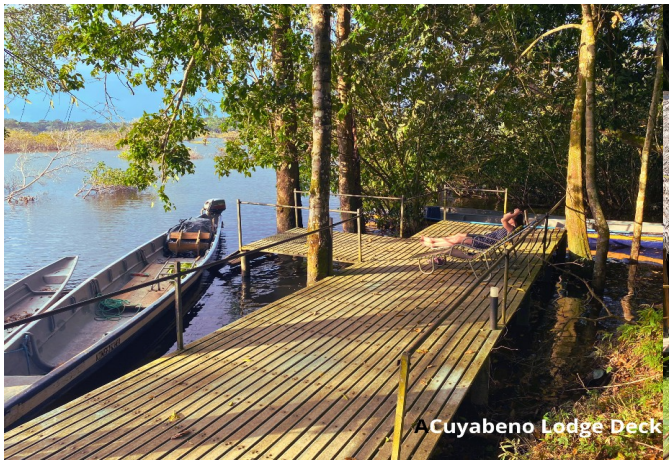
Express Assumption of Risk: The client, participant, or passenger (the "Releasor") explicitly acknowledges and assumes all inherent and unexpressed risks associated with travel, remote wilderness environments, river navigation, canoe operations, and transit to or from any destination. The Releasor understands that these activities carry risks of property damage, illness, injury, or death.

Complete Release of Liability and Waiver of Claims: The Releasor, for themselves, their heirs, assigns, and legal representatives, unconditionally releases, waives, and forever discharges the Company, its owners, directors, officers, employees, and agents from any and all claims, demands, liabilities, or causes of action—whether arising from negligence, operational delay, missed connections, property loss, personal injury, or death—arising out of or in any way connected to transportation, guided programs, or lodging operations, at any point during the itinerary or at any arrival/departure location required or utilized by the Releasor.

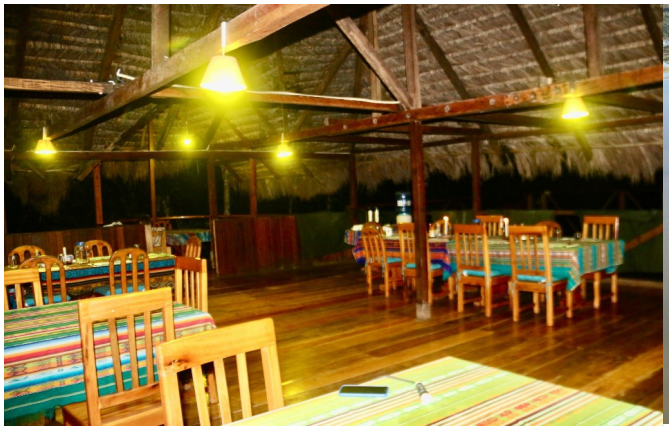
Loss of personal effects: The company is not responsible for loss or theft of goods or money; The client should always guard his/her valuables.

Evacuations: In the event of an emergency evacuation ordered at the guide's discretion, the client assumes full financial and legal responsibility for all associated costs.

Ultimate version of conditions: https://cuyabenolodge.com.ec/Cuyabeno-Lodge-rates-en.pdf









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Observation Tower

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