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Otavalo market & indigenous culture 5 days – 4 nights



The booking of this tour helps to create additional income and jobs for families in rural areas; it empowers women and also adds value to their culture, traditions and heritage. Thanks for being a sustainable traveler!

DAY 1



After breakfast you will leave Quito to go to the Otavalo Market. Along the way, you will make a few stops that will give you the opportunity to learn more about the incredible cultural & gastronomic richness of the area. You will first visit a traditional biscochos bakery and watch how these traditional snacks are made. After, you will visit our good friend, Jose Cotacachi's wool spinning workshop. Jose has an exhibition room where you will be able to see how he makes beautiful Andean-style wool fabrics. One of the most impressive things about his workshop is the fact that Jose uses only natural dyes. You will also visit a music workshop where you will learn about the making of traditional Andean wind musical instruments!. You will enjoy Lunch at the colorful Casa Sol, and in the afternoon you will arrive at the Otavalo market where you will be delighted with the colorful selection of handcrafted goods on sale. The night will be spent at the community-owned tourism project in Cotacachi. Meals included: D

DAY 2:

This day is all about immersion in the kichwa culture! You will have some of the most unique experiences of your stay as you spend your morning with your host family learning about their

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daily activities such as: working on their crops, milking cows, looking after their guinea pigs & chickens and many other interesting chores. You can also relax and spend time on this beautiful Andean town. Meals included: B/L/D

DAY 3:



This day is you will spend your morning with your host family learning about their daily chores and activities. You will have lunch and, in the afternoon, you will have the chance to visit the beautiful Cuicocha Lake that formed in the crater of a volcano. You will then return to your host family for dinner and accommodation. Meals included: B/L/D

DAY 4:

After a last breakfast with your hosts you will depart back to Quito. On the way you will stop at the Parque Condor, a rescue center devoted to the conservation of birds of prey, here you will see a flying display of these beautiful animals. Return to Quito after this visit. Meals included: B

INCLUDES:

- Driver & private transportation
- Bilingual & native guides
- All treks with guides
- All the activities mentioned
- Meals as described on the itinerary
- Lodging
- Visit to the Cuicocha lake
- Round trip from Quito

EXCLUDES:

- Alcoholic beverages & souvenirs
- International flights
- Meals not described on the itinerary
- Entrance fee to birds of prey aviary

Thank you for choosing Greentrek!