



Covell and Friends Reunion in Ecuador July 17-22, 2024

Tentative Itinerary

Day 1: July 18

- Breakfast @ hotel
- Head to the home of Pam and Craig Carothers '73 along the Yanuncay River
- Presentation and ceremony by the indigenous community of Kushi Waira
- Pampa Mesa traditional meal
- Return to El Centro (downtown) for free time to explore the city
- Welcome dinner celebrating 60 years of Covell (Mayor of Cuenca)



Day 2: July 19

- Breakfast @ hotel
- Tour of Artisanal Villages - Chordeleg, Gualaceo and Makanas IKAT: including local markets, jewelry and native weaving styles
- Lunch at a local restaurant
- Return to Cuenca
- Inter-American cultural discussion
- Dinner on your own (we will provide a list of suggestions)
- Enjoy the evening to explore Cuenca



Day 3: July 20

- Tour to Ingapirca, archeological site of the Canari and Inca civilizations
- Return to Cuenca for city tour in a double-decker bus
- Dinner honoring Covelianos who are no longer with us



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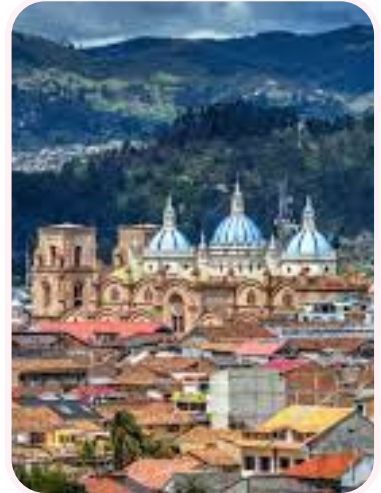
Day 4: July 21

- Last full day in Cuenca
- Walking tours and museums
- Speaker on Latin America
- University update
- Goodbye dinner

Interested in seeing other areas of Ecuador either prior to or after our Cuenca Reunion? We are looking into trips to the Amazon or the Galapagos.

Let us know your interest in either of these destinations, which would add approximately 5-6 days to the reunion time.

To reserve your space for the reunion, send Kelli Page (kpage@pacific.edu) an email confirming your participation by January 29, 2024.





Arrival

- If possible, all participants should arrive in Cuenca on the 17th.
- Those arriving in Quito may opt to fly to Cuenca. We advise that you book all the way through to Cuenca. That often means an overnight stay in Quito and an early flight to Cuenca.
- It is an 8 hour trip by van from Quito to Cuenca
- Those flying into Guayaquil may also take a van for under \$20.00/pp and you will be able to see the changes of vegetation and the Andes Mountains as you climb to Cuenca, a 3.5 hour trip
- If you arrive in Guayaquil before noon on the 17th there is the possibility of a tour to a chocolate plantation with lunch and the opportunity to make your own chocolate bars
- Airlines that fly into Ecuador include: American, Ara Jet, Avianca, COPA, Delta, Jet Blue, Latam, Spirit, United
- If flying directly to Cuenca from the U.S., you can go Avianca or Latam

Hotel

- Hotel accommodations have been arranged at the Hotel Presidente in the historic district of Cuenca.
- This is operated by the NASS Corp and in case of overflow they have several other local properties available.
- It includes breakfast and has other services available
- Double rooms are priced at about \$50.00 per night
- For a couple, 5 nights = \$250.00