



2019 EcoTeach Expeditions

Amazon Rainforest Workshop

Group Booking / Terms & Conditions



REGISTRATION INFORMATION

- School / Group Name:** Meg Lowman Citizen Science Expedition

Preferred Mailing Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____
- Trip Leader/ Tour Escort Name:** Meg Lowman

Work Phone & Ext. _____ Cell Phone: _____

Best Email Address: _____

Preferred Airport: _____

I have read and understand these Terms and Conditions below and accept this agreement with EcoTeach, Inc. and Rainforest Workshops, LLC (collectively referred to as "EcoTeach" in this document). Any controversy or claim arising out of or relating to this Agreement or EcoTeach's performance under this Agreement shall be resolved by binding arbitration to be held in Seattle Washington in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association then existing. Washington state law shall be used to resolve all such controversies and claims. All parties to any arbitration or litigation under or arising from this Agreement in any way shall bear their own costs, including legal fees. On the earlier payment of a deposit to EcoTeach or submission of this booking form, the Trip Leader/Tour Escort depositor, and his or her family and heirs agree to be bound by the Terms and Conditions below.

Trip Leader / Tour Escort

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

EcoTeach Representative

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____ Date: _____

*Please sign the Registration Information page **AND** initial the Booking Terms and Conditions and Itinerary pages*

BOOKING TERMS & CONDITIONS

Initials _____

Trip Reservation

Upon receipt of this signed form, your dates will be reserved and your itinerary confirmed. Changes can be made to the itinerary and dates by mutual agreement. An individual Participant's place is not reserved until they have submitted a Participant Registration Form & deposit.

All Services and Accommodations: EcoTeach agrees to arrange and provide services as outlined in the trip proposal below. EcoTeach contracts with service providers for transportation, hotels, meals, guides and tours. EcoTeach, its owners, and its associated agents act only as agents for the owners, contractors, and suppliers providing means of transportation and/or all other related travel services and disclaim all liability for property loss or damage, and/or any damages or claims resulting from death, illness or personal injuries, including loss of services which may be sustained on account of, or rising out of, by reason of, or while engaged on any trip, automobile, boat, vehicle, horseback, canopy riggings, inn, common carrier, aircraft, interaction with other participants, or otherwise caused by failure, delay, or by any transportation or travel service company due to any cause whatsoever occurring during a tour under its management, sponsorship, procurement or otherwise. Basically, there are some things that are just not under EcoTeach's control.

Rates are generally based on triple or quad occupancy. If flights are made through EcoTeach, we work with major airlines and book on regularly scheduled flights. EcoTeach acts only in the capacity of agent as to flights and has no liability in that role. The airlines' liability is limited to the terms of the airline tickets. EcoTeach is not liable for any delays, inconveniences, accidents, expense or mishap of any kind whatsoever resulting entirely, or in part, from the negligence or actions of others or from causes beyond its control. EcoTeach does not accept any responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delay or change in air services, sickness, weather, strike, war, quarantine, or other causes beyond its control. All such losses or expenses will be borne by the participants, as tour rates provide for arrangements only for the time stated. EcoTeach reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to change accommodations to a similar location, to substitute modes of transportation, and to make any changes in the itinerary where deemed necessary or appropriate or caused by changes in air schedules.

Information on Flight Costs: For groups booking flights through EcoTeach a service fee of approximately \$30 per ticket will be assessed. EcoTeach may purchase several blocks of tickets for a group at different prices and charge the averaged amount to the participants. Also, please be aware that taxes and fees (fuels surcharges, security costs, etc.) imposed by the US Government are subject to change until the tickets are paid for by participants and purchased from the airline. Such changes are outside of EcoTeach's control. When tickets have been purchased, the cost will be updated on the group webpage and will be reflected in the participants' final balance.

Participant Payment Schedule

As a rule, the payment schedule for this trip is a deposit of \$400 per participant upon registration, followed by three payments, \$1200 due 7 months prior to departure, \$1200 due 4 months prior to departure, and the balance due 2 months prior to departure. This can be modified by mutual agreement between EcoTeach and the contracting party. Please note that credit card payments will incur a 3% processing fee.

A \$25 late fee will be imposed on all late payments. If any payment is not made by the required date, EcoTeach may, in its sole discretion, cancel the trip for that participant and impose the cancellation fee set forth below.

Participant Cancellation and Late Fees

The cancellation fee for participant is as follows:

- 120 days + prior to departure: \$400 fee + any nonrefundable deposits or payments made by EcoTeach on behalf of the participant
- 119 to 60 days prior to departure: \$600 fee + any nonrefundable deposits or payments made by EcoTeach on behalf of the participant
- Less than 60 days prior to departure: no refund

Nonrefundable deposits / payments include but are not limited to flight or hotel deposits, airline tickets, trip leader costs, etc.

If a canceling participant finds another person to take their place, EcoTeach will provide a refund minus a \$400 cancellation fee and minus any nonrefundable/nontransferable payments made / costs incurred on behalf of participant.

Cost/Payments/Paperwork for Chaperones/Trip Leaders/Tour Escorts

Chaperones/Trip Leaders/Tour Escorts are entitled to a discount as outlined below in the trip information. The discount will be deducted from their account no later than 4 months prior to departure. Fifty percent of the revised amount will be due 3 months prior to departure with the remainder due 2 months prior to departure. While a deposit is not required from trip leaders, the registration form is.

Responsibility

The responsibility for the participants' well-being and behavior will rest with the participants themselves, and with the chaperones/trip leaders/tour escorts on student trips, and not with EcoTeach. Participants are expected to act maturely and assume personal responsibility at all times. The use of alcohol by minors and illegal drug consumption is not permitted. Participants will be returned to the U.S. at their expense if their behavior is considered inappropriate or unsafe by EcoTeach or its chaperones/trip leaders.



2019 Amazon Expedition Workshop

Overview & Costs

10 Days (door to door)



Group: Lowman Citizen Science Expedition
 Dates: July 15-24, 2019
 Webpage: <http://groups.ecoteach.com/amazon-lowman/>

LOCATION	DAY	LODGING & MEALS	MAJOR ACTIVITIES
To Lima	July 15 Day 1	Lima Hotel Meals included: none	Flight from US to Lima
To Iquitos/Amazon	July 16 Day 2	Explorama Lodge Meals included: BLD	Flight to Iquitos Boat ride to Explorama Lodge
Explorama Lodges	July 17-22 Day 3 Day 4 Day 5 Day 6 Day 7 Day 8	Explorama Lodge Napo Lodge Napo Lodge ACTS ACTS Ceiba Tops Resort Meals included: BLD	Daily birding option Guided hikes and boat excursions Amazon Culture & Crafts workshop Trading with the Yagua Boat ride to look for river dolphins Visit to ReNuPeRu Ethnobotanical Garden Rainforest & canopy walkway explorations Amazon village service project Fishing for piranha Visit to Majuna Community Conservation Center Daily night hikes or star gazing option
Depart for Home	July 23 Day 9	Meals included: BL	Hike to giant ceiba tree Visit to manatee rescue center Boat to Iquitos Fly to Lima and return to US
Arrive Home	July 24 Day 10		Arrive home

In-country Program Fees (based on 10 participants with complimentary land and air for 2 leaders):

\$2625 land costs per participant
 \$350 in-country air per participant

International Air Costs from US to Iquitos: (estimated – varies by participant departure city)

\$1000 to \$1500 per participant

In-country Program Fees include:

- Accommodations (price based on double/triple occupancy)
- Meals as outlined and purified water at the Lodges
- Private in-country transportation (bus, boat)
- Activities and entrance fees for activities listed
- Naturalist Guides
- Tips for staff
- In-country flights from Lima to Iquitos
- \$100 per person donation to The Tree Foundation

In-country Program Fees do NOT include:

- International flights to Peru
- Expenses of a personal nature
- Airline baggage fees (if applicable)
- Tips for Guides

EcoTeach purchases a travel protection plan for every traveler in groups with a final group size of 10 or more total travelers. This helps provide coverage for things such as travel delay, emergency medical, emergency evacuation, delayed/damaged baggage. Cancellation and Trip Interruption coverage are NOT included but are available at an additional cost.