

Mindo Biking

Four-day Biking Adventure



Day One

Activities:

- 1. Cycling to the Rio Bravo Reserve
 - Approximate climb: 350 mts
 - Distance: 9.3 km
 - Cycling level: Intermediate/Advanced

2. Mindo Ziplining Adventure

Includes:

- Bicycle rental and equipment
- Purified drinking water
- Lunch at Río Bravo reserve
 - Please specify food restrictions

Does NOT include:

Breakfast, dinner, lodging



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Day One Itinerary

08h45 Meet up at Mindo Biking

09h00 Departure to Rio Bravo Reserve on bicycle

11h00 Arrival to Río Bravo Reserve
Hiking, swimming, photography and rest
Fresh fruit and water available

13h00 Lunch (please specify food restrictions)

14h30 Departure to Mindo Ziplines on bicycle

15h00 Arrival to Mindo Ziplining adventure

16h30 Return to hotel on bicycle - Free afternoon

End of Day



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Rio Bravo Reserve

 A 7000 HA reserve that belongs to the Mindo Nambillo protected forest

 Two waterfalls, La Roca and La Esperanza, are only at a few minutes hike

Hiking through pristine cloud forest is certainly a renewing experience

Rio Bravo Reserve is located at approximately
 9.3 km from the town of Mindo

You may get there hiking, cycling or hiring a cab

• Visits require a 24 h prior reservation





Day Two

Activities:

- Birding, Nature and Trekking
- Cock of Rock Lek
- San Tadeo Bird Watching
- Visit to Milpe Bird Sanctuary

Includes:

- Transportation
- Sack breakfast
- Birdwatching equipment
- Purified drinking water and fruit
- Lunch

Does NOT include:

• Dinner, lodging



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Day Two Itinerary

O5hOO Pick up at hotel and departure to

Cock of the Rock lek + San Tadeo birds

07h30 Sack breakfast

09h00 Departure to Milpe Bird Sanctuary

10h00 Arrival to Milpe

12h30 Departure to San Miguel de Los Bancos

13h00 Lunch at Mirador Río Blanco

14h00 Return to Mindo

15h00 Free afternoon — End of Day



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- Privately owned protected cloud forest located at 15 minutes from Mindo
- Renowned for its <u>Cock-of-the-Rock lek</u>
- And a variety of beautifully colored tanagers, barbets, euphonias, tucanets, arasaris, hummingbirds and more...

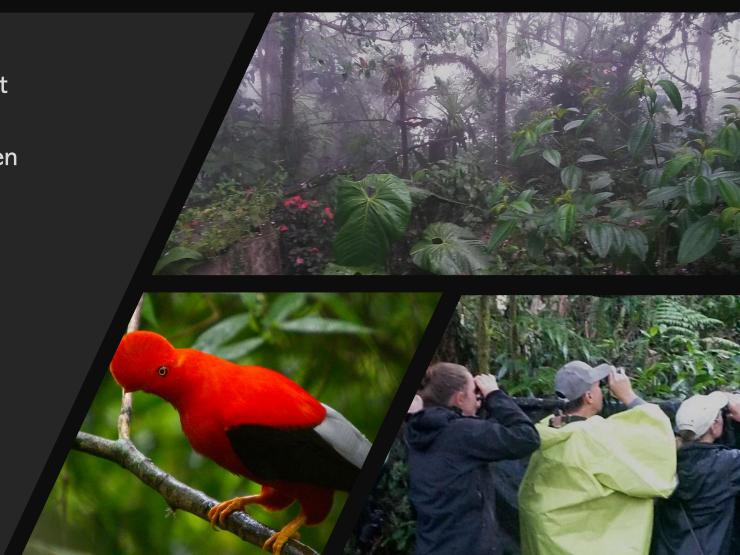


Cock of the Rock Lek

Just a 15 minute hike up to a hidden spot will grant you over one hour of delight

while you observe the gathering of a dozen scarlet-colored male birds executing their regular performance for one endearing female.

Known as a "lek" this performance led by several "cock of the rock" male birds will completely engage you and leave you smiling for the rest of the day!





After visiting the lek we stop at a cozy observation deck were we enjoy a warm cup of local coffee, tea, snacks and some more birdwatching.

This scene is filled with colorful birds eating local fruit, taking morning showers and pretentiously posing for our cameras.

Scene 2: Colorful Birds

Tanagers, Euphonias, Thrushes, Toucan barbet...



Last but not least...

Our birdwatching journey ends with a magical encounter with at least 20 species of these fairy-like birds.

Each one different and special, these tiny beings pack a treasure trove of mystifying features that will remind you of the beauty of life. Scene 3: The hummingbird nook

Milpe Bird Sanctuary

- A 100 HA protected forest located at 1020 to 1150 asl
- A Chocó Andean Foothills Rainforest habitat managed by The Mindo Cloudforest Foundation
- Adjacent to 'Milpe Gardens' which has access to the Chalhuayacu river valley and makes a great addition to their ample trail system.



Day Three

Activities:

- Full Day Cycling
- Pacto, Mashpi, Pachijal

Includes:

- Transportation
- Breakfast
- Bicycle and equipment
- Purified drinking water and fruit
- Picnic at the river

Does NOT include:

Dinner, lodging



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Day Three Itinerary

- O6hOO Pick up at hotel and departure to Pacto
- 07h20 Breakfast in Pacto
- 08:15 Departure to Mashpi and Pachijal on bike
- 14.30 Estimated arrival to Pachijal River
 - Swimming, resting and picnic
- 16h00 Estimated return to Mindo

End of Day



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Day Four

Activities:

- Butterflies
- Tubing
- Chocolate
- Guided Night Walk

Includes:

- Transportation
- Entrances to all attractions
- All necessary equipment
- Purified drinking water

Does NOT include:

Breakfast, dinner, lodging



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Day Four Itinerary

- 09h00 Meet up at Mindo Biking
- O9h15 Departure to Butterfly Farm by vehicle
- O9h30 Visit Mindo´s Butterfly Farm
- 10h30 Meet up Rio Mindo for tubing adventure
- 11h30 End of tubing
- 12h00 Visit to El Quetzal de Mindo for Chocolate
 Tour. Lunch optional (avg. cost \$12 to \$18)
- 15h00 Free afternoon
- 19h00 Pick up at Hotel for Mindo Night Walk
- 21h00 Drop off at Hotel

End of Tour



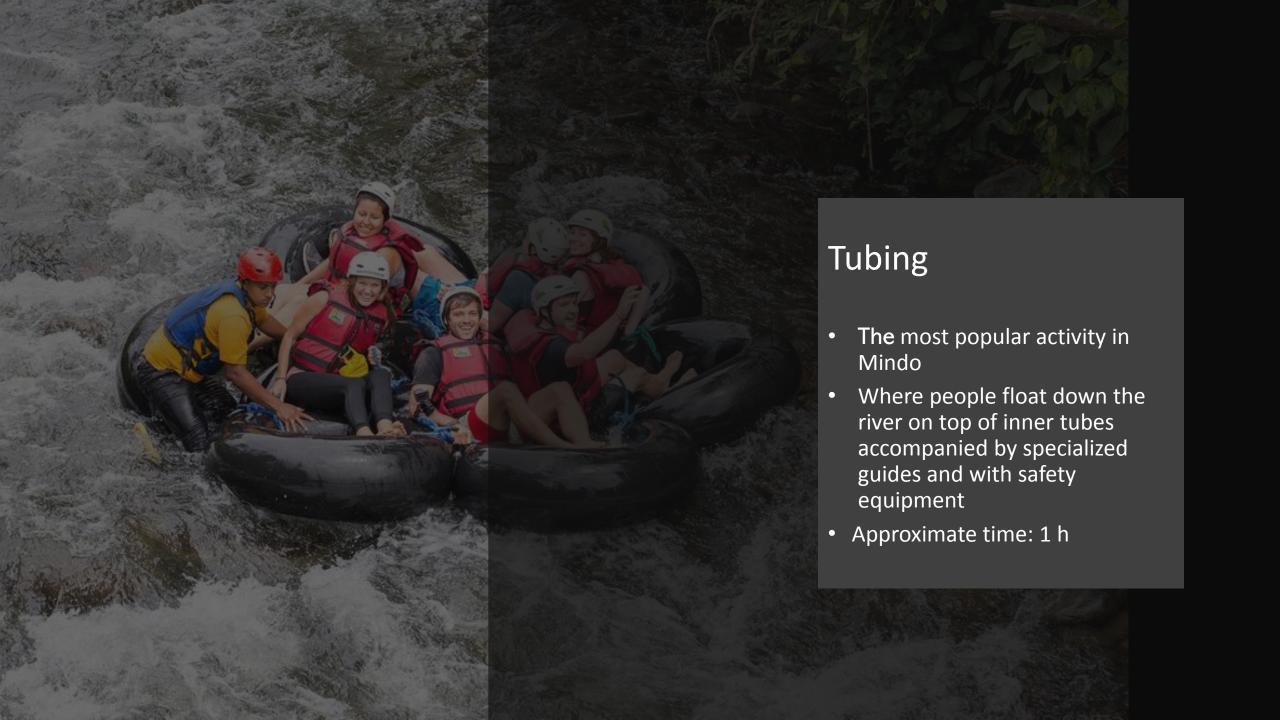
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Mindo Night Walks

- Guided walks through the cloud forest in search of nocturnal animals
- Knowledgeable guides provide a fun and educational experience
- Starts at 7 pm
- Lasts approximately 2 hours
- Located at 3.5 km from town

4-Day Biking Adventure Package

Includes the following (please refer to itinerary)

- Entrances to all attractions
- Breakfast and lunch (on some days)
- Bicycle and equipment rental for all activities
- Specialized guides
- Purified drinking water
- Local transportation

Does NOT include

- Anything not described in the itinerary
- Taxes (12% IVA)
- Lodging and transfers

OPTIONAL SEVICES

Transfers from/to Quito Airport = \$80.00 Assistance with lodging reservations

Additional Information:

Please specify any food allergies, special medical conditions or any other specific needs

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