

BUSHMASTER ADVENTURES

GUATEMALA HERPING TOUR
10 Night/11 Day: 13-21 JUNE 2020
OPTIONAL TIKAL EXTENSION: 22-25 June
(deadline for deposit: 15 May)

PRICE: \$1700 USD per person

DESCRIPTION

Explore the ancient Maya territory's herpetological secrets of Guatemala with quetzals, beautiful lakes and volcanoes. In this beautiful and little explored country, we will explore Caribbean rain and cloud forests as well as one Pacific locality. Our goals are endemic delicacies like the yellow blotched palm viper (*Bothriechis aurifer*), the Guatemalan Beaded Lizard (*Heloderma charlesbogerti*) and the beautiful salamanders of the genus *Bolitoglossa*. Submerging Guatemalan idiosyncrasy to reach the most undisclosed herps will be our goal there.

This expedition to Guatemala is intended to find and photograph some of the most marvelous and spectacular species of reptiles and amphibians in the world. Guatemala is a poorly known country by the herping world. But it boasts a huge biodiversity in a very small area, with 432 species of reptiles and amphibians in 109.000 km². In this expedition we can observe so many different species and will visit four different locations along the Caribbean versant, one cloud forest, two rain forests and one dry forest.

EXTENSION/TIKAL INFORMATION (not included in price)

An extension of 4 days/3 nights is possible at the end to visit the Mayan ruins of Tikal (one of the best preserved and most astonishing Mayan archeological sites) and herping in the surroundings of the Tikal National Park and Mayan Biosphere Reserve, staying in an extraordinary lodge.

YOUR GUIDES

Cesar Barrio-Amoros

Scientific director and photographer Spanish herpetologist who dedicated his life to the understanding and conservation of nature.

Cristian Porras Ramirez

Founder, Managing Director and Photography Director

Andrés Novales

Guatemalan Biologist, Herpetologist and photographer

WHAT IS INCLUDED

- Transport from the airport to all the locations and back to the airport
- Guide specialist in herpetology and photography
- Local guides
- Stays at hotels, lodges and biological reserves, in double/multiple rooms (single supplement is extra if you want your own room)
- All entrances to National Parks and private reserves
- 3 meals per day with beverage (except breakfast and lunch on day 1, and lunch and dinner on day 9, when only breakfast is included)

WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED

- Flights into/out of Guatemala
- Alcoholic beverages
- Last day lunch, supper and hotel if you need to stay an additional night before your flight
- Travel insurance (obligatory)
- Tips

ESSENTIALS YOU MUST BRING WITH YOU

- Waterproof trekking boots or rubber boots (you can buy them in Guatemala)
- Head lamps or a good flashlight, with extra batteries
- Your own camera gear and equipment, waterproof housing or rain gear for camera is a good idea
- Insect repellent (preferable not based on DEET)
- Raincoat or pancho
- Refillable water bottle
- **Travel insurance (this is an obligatory requirement)**, you'll be required to show proof of insurance before tour begins
- Any Medications you may need you must bring with you

READY TO BOOK? HAVE QUESTIONS?

Contact us, we're happy to help!

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