

CRCAS VOLUNTEER PROGRAMME - PUERTO MALDONADO GENERAL INFORMATION:

The mission of the N.G.O. AMAZON SHELTER for Animal and Environmental Protection, is the conservation of the environment and Peruvian Amazon wildlife through environmental education. Human beings are primarily responsible for the current problems in relation to the deterioration of ecosystems, and we believe it is necessary to raise awareness among people to achieve a change in behavior in their activities and thus stop this deterioration.

Our core objective revolves around the Amazon ecosystem and species it houses, particularly in the southern jungle of Peru where we have the Project Rehabilitation Centre and Conservation of Wild Animals "AMAZON SHELTER" (CRCAS), located at 11.2km on the Tambopata Road leading out from the city of Puerto Maldonado, Madre de Dios.

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Our aim is to promote the conservation of the Amazonian fauna of Peru, with emphasis on local species threatened by the destruction of their habitat and wildlife trafficking activities that seriously endanger the survival of Amazonian biodiversity ecosystems. The rescued animals that come to the Centre are rehabilitated to achieve maximum recovery in the best way possible. Alternatives being released to the wild, to stay in the Centre or be relocated to other places and environments more suitable according to the needs of the animal and the characteristics of their species where they are then assessed.



CRCAS facilities have adequate environments trying to mimic natural habitats in order to house animals. Furthermore there is a quarantine area, a site for volunteers and ecotourists and also a comfortable educational walking trail.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAMME:

The volunteer program provides to school and university students and to all people who wish to come and live here, a unique experience working with wild animals in a natural environment. In turn, the programme seeks to raise awareness of the need to conserve the rainforests and the creatures that inhabit them for the benefit of ecosystems and human communities. The programme also tries to stimulate the imagination and creativity of the volunteer, seeking the best way to convey everything they have learned for when they return to their homes.



ACCOMMODATION:

Volunteers will stay in double rooms in our comfortable wooden bungalows within CRCAS facilities. Facilities include showers, toilets and electricity at 220V. Currently CRCAS has the capacity to house 20 people, including volunteers and ecotourists.

We have a generator, which is turned on daily from approximately 6:00 pm. to 10:00 pm. During this time volunteers and ecotourists can charge their cell phones and laptops. If weather conditions permit, volunteers and ecotourists can camp at a suitable area to enjoy the sounds of the rainforest at night, allowing direct contact with nature. Please note that the wet season is from November to January.



FOOD:

The volunteer program includes meals 3 meals a day (breakfast, lunch and dinner). Volunteers eat and socialise together in a spacious dining room. You are allowed to bring snacks such as cereal bars, cookies, chocolates, etc. But we do ask that you not take food back to your rooms as food scraps can attract ants and other insects.



ACTIVITIES OF VOLUNTEERS:

1 Supporting the maintenance of the wild animals.:

- Distribution of food for the rescue animals housed at CRCAS
- Participation in projects assessing the diets.
- Support in cleaning the enclosures.
- Support in maintenance and repair of animal environments.

2 Monitoring wildlife activity:

- Development of the behavioral repertoire (behavior) of animals housed in the Centre.

3. Environmental Enrichment:

- Conditioning enclosures with natural and synthetic objects such as toys, perches and others to stimulate mental and physical activity of the animals and thus reduce the stress of captivity.

4 Monitoring and inventory of wildlife in the educational circuit and surrounding areas.:

- Recognition and identification of various species - birds, reptiles, mammals, insects, plants, etc.. within the educational system and surroundings.
- Maintenance of the trails of the educational circuit.
- Visit to a clay lick located beside CRCAS to observe parrots.

5. Environmental education work:

- Preparation and participation in campaigns and environmental education activities on issues related to conservation, wildlife, etc..

6 Participation in artistic workshops:

- This work is done with young people to spread the message of environmental conservation and wildlife through painting, crafts, stories, myths and / or legends.

7 Assistance with the control of animal welfare:

- If veterinary visits coincide with visits from volunteers, it may be possible to participate in these activities with the responsible veterinary.

8 Customer Research Project:

- If the student has an interest in a study or project, specific research may be performed with prior authorization of the person responsible at CRCAS. The project must have a direct relation to the areas that fall within the objectives of the Centre: Wildlife, botany, forestry, conservation, indigenous communities and their relationship with the environment, environmental education or areas related to these issues



GENERAL HOUSE RULES:

1. Treat with respect to all the staff present in the CRCAS either maintenance staff, visitors or other program participants, both in the personally and also by verbal communication.
2. Adhere to all requirements herein without question.
3. Should any problem arise during your stay, please contact immediately the group leader and / or the person in charge of the program at CRCAS.

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4. Drugs, snuff and alcohol are prohibited within CRCAS

IN THE BUNGALOWS

1. Maintain clean and tidy the space used in the room allocated to you and respect your room mate.

Two. Maintain clean and tidy common areas in the bungalows exterior corridors and bathrooms.

Three. Observe hours of rest required between activities. It is important to recover energy to continue with the tasks that follow the break.

April. During wet season, please ensure all boots and raincoats are placed on hangers or spaces provided for them.

DURING WORKING HOURS

1. Please be punctual attending lectures and activities scheduled.
2. Listen carefully to the instructions and training sessions performed and be sure to ask any questions you have regarding any aspect of the programme.
3. Ensure tasks assigned are completed as requested. Any modification must be reported to the person responsible for the project.
- 4.. If you feel ill or sick, immediately notify the person responsible for the group.
5. Be careful to follow the instructions and protocols established upon entry to the environments of animals. 5

PROGRAMME COST

The money raised helps us to fund animal handling, infrastructure, hostel and other projects.
The cost is per person / per day and includes room and board (3 meals).

National Students / Practitioners / Interns:

\$.32.00 For a stay less than one month (30 días/29 nights)

\$.25.00..... For a further stay of 1 month (30 días/29 nights)

Foreign Students:

\$.42.00..... For a stay less than one month (30 días/29 nights)

\$.42.00..... For maximum stay 1 month (30 días/29 nights)

NO national student:

\$.68.00..... Per day

NO international student:

\$.84.00..... Per day



Requirements:

Submit a document which should indicate student status.
Certificate of having an accident and / or health insurance policy.
Compulsory vaccinations: Yellow Fever.
Suggested Vaccinations: Influenza, rabies, hepatitis and tetanus.

Transportation: from airport -CRCAS: \$.25.00 by 1 person and \$ 20.00 for 2 or more.

To confirm your reservation, please pay your deposit within a minimum of 15 days prior to the following bank account:

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BBVA BANCO CONTINENTAL

Cuenta de ahorros (soles) 0011 0263 0200054645

Cuenta de dólares Americanos 0011 0263 12 0200090366

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Daily guided tours are also offered:
Duration: 40 minutes approx.

	No lunch	with lunch
Local tourist or student	\$ 10.00	\$.20.00
National tourist	\$ 10.00	\$.20.00
International tourist	\$.15.00	\$.30.00

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