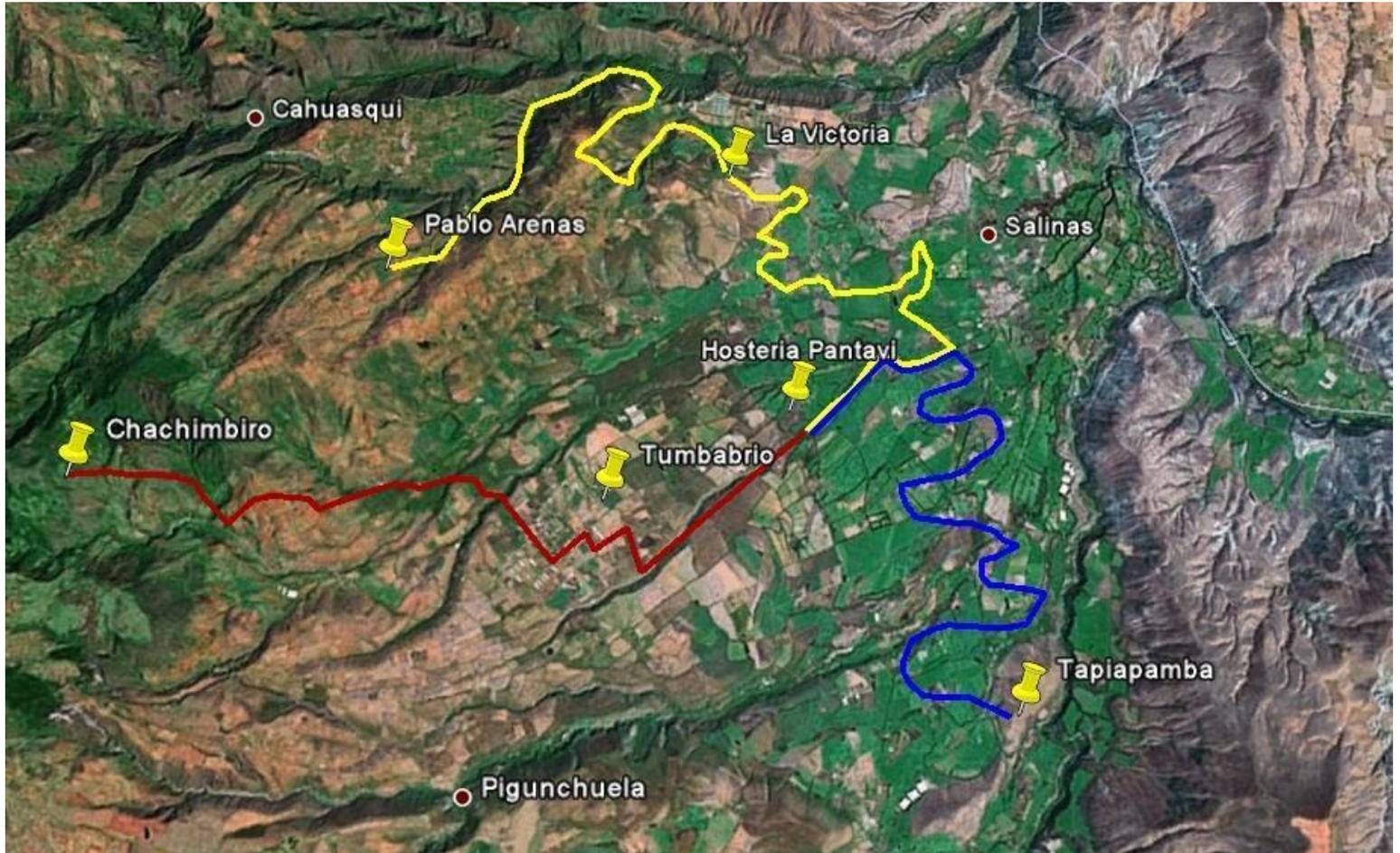
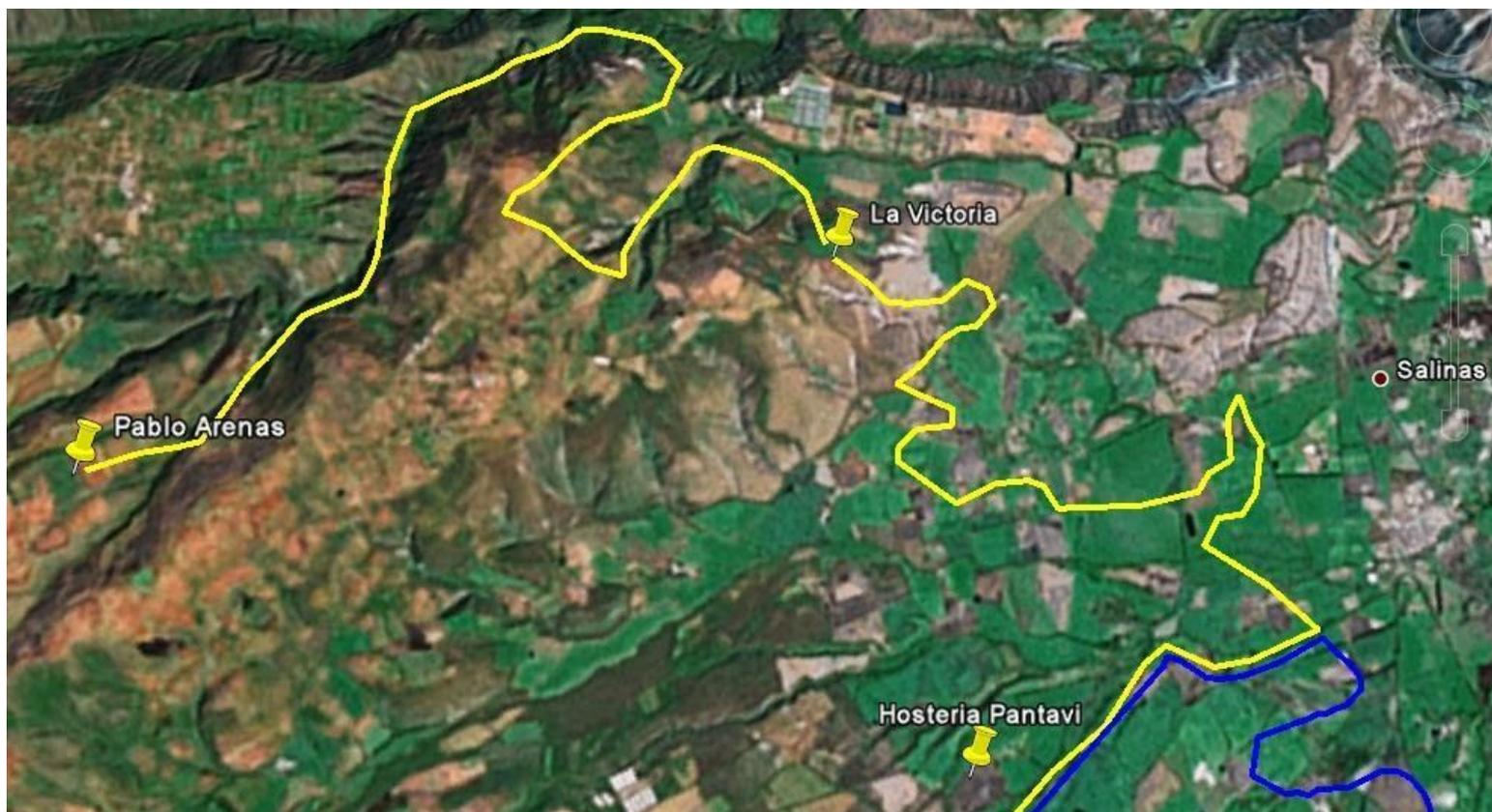


# Suggested walking trails





## Pablo Arenas - La Victoria - Pantavi

Yellow

Difficulty: 3

Distance:

5.5 kms, approx 2 hours



### **Description:**

- Depart hostel and follow the road along the right lane until you reach Tumbabiro.
- Once you arrive at the church, take the bus to Pablo Arenas from the sidewalk in front of the park (it costs 25 ctvs, the trip to Pablo Arenas will take about 20 minutes. Pablo Arenas is the first town after Tumbabiro. You will see a green sign on the right indicating the way to Cahuasqui and La Victoria. Get off the bus).
- Follow the sign to La Victoria, two lanes, continue along right.
- Continue on the road until you reach the town. Keep walking straight.
- Once you reach the part where the road splits, follow the road to the right.
- The road will go through mountains and fields, stay on the road until you reach a curve with a paved road. Walk down the road on the right side of the road.
- From here you should walk towards La Victoria (indicated by yellow arrows).
- You will reach La Victoria. Keep walking straight until you reach the central plaza with the church in the background, this is La Victoria.

### **Points of interest:**

v Afro-Ecuadorian village

v Mountains

v Local people

v Landscapes

v Farmlife

### **La Victoria - Pantaví**

Yellow

**Difficulty:** 2-3

**Distance:**

7 km, approx 2 1/2 - 3 hours

**Description:**

- Follow the La Victoria exit route to the right side of the square where the church is located.
- This road will lead you to another small, sandy downhill road, which will be a couple of meters away, walk along this path. You will come to an intersection, take a right.
- Follow the road until you find a gate, uphill, on your right. You must turn right and you will leave La Victoria.
- After the road has curved, take a left. There is no easily visible road, please follow the signs for one marked in yellow. Turn left onto a small road.
- There will be another sign to show the way up a small hill, keep to the right.
- Cross the bridge and follow the canal on your right hand side.
- You will find another path that will allow you to go straight on with the canal on your right hand side, also marked with a yellow arrow.
- You will pass a farm on your left, keep walking straight.
- At the next intersection, follow the path on your left.
- This path will take you to a paved road. Here you must take your right if you want to return to Hosteria Pantavi. Very close to the road, you will see a sign for the Hosteria.

Points of interest:

v Afro-Ecuadorian village

v Canal

v Sugarcane

v Farmlife



### Pantavi - Chachimbiro

Red

**Difficulty:** 3

**Distance:**

5.5 km, approx 2.5 hours

#### **Description:**

- ∅ Leave the hostel, take the road in front of you.
- ∅ Follow the road until it divides, take the road to the right.
- ∅ Follow the road, up the hill until it ends, you will have reached Tumbabrio.
- ∅ Follow the road on your right side and take the first road to the left.
- ∅ Follow the road until it ends, keep right until you find another road.
- ∅ Here take the left road where you will see a sign to Chachimbiro.
- ∅ Follow the signs to Chachimbiro.
- ∅ Walk along the road until you see a red arrow on the right side of the road. Here you will leave the road. Open the barbed wire gate.

- Ø Walk across the field at a diagonal angle until you see another red arrow on a tree.
- Ø Cross the barbed-wire gate and continue along the road in front of you.
- Ø The path will take you to another barbed-wire gate, cross it too, and follow the path downhill.
- Ø The path will take you down a fairly steep descent to the platform.
- Ø At the bottom, you will cross the small river and head left, after a couple of meters there will be a path on the right side of the river.
- Ø Once you reach the top, there will be a small path on your left side that goes up the hill to the left. There will be additional red markers on the trees to guide your way.
- Ø Once you reach a barbed-wire fence, open the gate and cross the field at a diagonal angle again.
- Ø You will come to a fence again. Here, open the gate and follow the path to your left. This path will take you to the small town of San Francisco.
- Ø Once you reach the village and the end of the road, take the road to your right.
  
- Ø This path will take you to a sign on your right that indicates the direction to Chachimbiro (on the right). It is also indicated by a red arrow on an electric wire pole. Follow this sign and the road to Chachimbiro.
- Ø Once you pass the entrance gate to Chachimbiro, the hot springs will be on your left.

Points of interest:

Hiking

Mountains

Landscapes



## Pantavi - Tapiapamba

Blue

**Difficulty:** 3

**Distance:**

8 km, approx 3 - 3 1/2 hours

**Description:**

Leave Pantaví and follow the road to your left for 2.5 kilometers. A good indicator is a Pantavi sign, on the opposite side of the road, which will indicate 2.6 kilometers to the inn.

Here you will see a new road that crosses the one you are currently on.

Take the one on your right. Follow this road until you reach a canal on your right.

This canal will take you through a lot of fields and farms.

Sometimes the canal will not take the same direction as the road, but you will always be next to it again. Follow the blue arrows and markings on the trees and other landmarks.

Stay by the canal until you reach a stone bridge on your right. Cross the canal over this bridge and follow the path right in front of you.

You will pass two farms, stay on the same road you are on, watch out for the blue arrows.

After about half an hour after crossing the bridge, you will arrive at the village of Tapiapamba on an uphill road.

Enjoy the landscape. You have the option to return to Pantavi or take a bus to Urququi.

Points of interest:

v Afro-Ecuadorian village

V Farmlife

v Canal

### **Pantavi - Pantavi (Bicycle)**

To Urququí = 7 KM, to Salinas = 23 KM, to Pantavi = 6.7KM, Total: 37 KM

Difficulty: 3-4

### **Bus Ibarra - Tumbabiro:**

5:45am - 7:30pm, every 45 min