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Hello in Quechua =
Imaynalla kasanki? (how are you?)

This week we visited:
ECUADOR



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We Learned About: The Bomba del Chota

Ecuador boasts an enormous amount of geographic, biological and ethnic diversity. Its constitution is the world's first to recognize Rights of Nature (ecosystem rights).

Ecuadorian music is melange of distinct yet complementary regional genres such as Andean folk, *pasillo*--a melodic Spanish-influenced style--and various Afro-Ecuadorian forms.

Quechua is a group of languages spoken throughout the Andes. Today there are about 12 million Quechua-speakers who live in Ecuador, Peru, Bolivia and Argentina. The Ecuadorian variant is spelled "Quichua."



The Bomba del Chota is an Afro-Ecuadorian form of music and dance in which dancers balance bottles on their heads. In music class, we didn't.

**Goodbye in Quechua =
Paqarinkama**

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