

Amazonia Expeditions Ultimate Fishing Adventure

8 Days / 7 Nights \$1,695 per person (total land cost)

Day 1

Trip starts after arrival of people on LA 2240, scheduled to arrive just past noon

- Transfer in from airport or hotel
 - § If airport: Look for our booth in the baggage area of Iquitos Airport, by the restrooms, with our logo (head of a hoatzin bird on a diamond shape).
 § If hotel: please let us know the address for where to pick you up.
- Speedboat transfer (note--is 4 hours) up the Amazon, then the Tahuayo tributary to our lodge.
- Evening excursion

Lunch, Dinner

Days 2-4

At the Tahuayo Lodge

Guided fishing with private boat or other excursions in and around the Tamshiyacu-Tahuayo Reserve. Every day your native guide will discuss a selection of activities or fishing sites that you can choose to do. There is no extra cost for private guide or customizing your itinerary to your needs and interests.

Some fishing sites from the main lodge:

- Quebrada Palmichal, an inlet from the Tahuayo that is very productive in peacock butterfly bass and other fish
- Lake Tabano a permanently flooded forest and fish breeding ground
- Lake Tapaje and Lake Charo
- Tahuayo River

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Days 5-7

At Amazon Research Center Peru Lodge, ARC

The Research Center is more remote, many miles away from any native inhabitation, and thus there is no competition from native fisherman. You will most likely be fishing in sites where no one has fished before. Fishing sites include large and small lakes, the Tahuayo River and the Tangarana River.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

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Day 8

• Morning return to the main lodge, Afternoon boat to Iquitos, Transfer to airport or hotel *Breakfast, Lunch*

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INCLUSIONS

Shorter or longer trips are available. All in-Amazon costs included

- Private fishing guide
- Private outboard fishing motorboat
- All transfers
- Lodging
- Meals
- Excursions customized to your liking
- Standard gear such as jungle boots
- Wi-Fi
- Entrance fees
- Conservation fees
- Port taxes, etc

Optional expenses:

- cola or beer drinks
- souvenirs
- tips
- laundry



Standard Fishing Equipment & Tackle list

Although every fisherman has their own technique and style this is what we recommend you bring to Peru:

- 1 Medium to fast taper 6 foot fishing rod appropriate for fish of to 10 pounds spinning rod would be best.
- 1 Spool of 10-pound Berkley monofilament
- 1 Spool of 12-pound Berkley monofilament
- 1 Spool of 15 pound Berkley monofilament
- 10 6-inch steel leaders (20-pound rated)
- An assortment of 10 bass plugs or poppers
- A few "Rattle Traps" this is a relatively new lure which many fishermen swear by
- 1 package of 20 bass fishing hooks for 5 to 10-pound bass

You will want to bring a bass fishing rod of about 6 feet with a medium to fast taper. The taper is how quickly the rod becomes stiff and resistant from the tip of the rod. A fast taper rod will have a flexible tip, which is good for casting, but it becomes stiff very quickly as you move down the rod. It also has some backbone to it so you can apply some real pressure to the fish, which will probably be necessary when you see your peacock bass running straight for some trees or other structure which could snag or cut your line. If you are not experienced with casting a conventional real (like a Daiwa or Shimano baitcaster), then you'll probably want a spinning rod and reel - those are the reels you have to pull back the round wire thing to open up the spool for casting. The good thing about spinning reels and rods is you don't get tangles, and the rod is available in twopiece configuration, so they are ideal for traveling.

Species

Most common which include: Peacock bass (butterfly), aruauna, catfish (many varieties, some which grow over 200lbs), piranha, pacu, oscar, and vampire fish (payara).

Peacock bass

The area where you'll be fishing is home of the Butterfly Peacock Bass. This species of peacock Bass averages between 5 and 10 pounds. In other areas of the Amazon, and parts of Panama and Venezuela, there is a species of Peacock bass that grows to 20+ pounds. But, the smaller Butterfly Peacock Bass is a much more ferocious fighter, and is the preferred species for professional bass fisherman. It is also delicious eating. Make no mistake, a 10 pound bass is a big fish, and these things fight like a train.

A NOTE ON OUR TWO LODGES

The Tahuayo Lodge (Main Lodge)

- Cabins have private bathrooms
- Greater variety of activities

The Research Center Peru Lodge (ARC)

- Cabins have shared bathrooms
- Better hiking, over 50 miles of trails through a variety of ecosystems
- More wildlife
- Lodge is more remote, in more pristine forest and rivers

