

Amazonia's Wilderness Camping

7 Days / 6 Nights \$1,795 per person (total land cost)

Camping in the Amazon wilderness is one of our premium adventures, requiring two guides (head guide and assistant guide) and advance planning and allocation of resources. The minimum time required for wilderness camping is the following 7day / 6night excursion in the Amazon wilderness. It features the maximum adventure, customized to your needs with a highly training and wilderness first aid certified native guide, assisted by a second guide. Please note that the wilderness camping expedition, while high in adventure, is not as likely to encounter wildlife as a simple day visit to terra firme forest, as we are carrying a lot of supplies and making more noise as we trek in the forest.

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 2-3

At the Tahuayo Lodge

 Acclimation to the Amazon rainforest and getting to know your guides; your guides getting to know you. A Long hike in varzea forest; exploring flood forest and the canopy experience.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

INCLUSIONS

Trip can be extended for \$140 per day / person All in-Amazon costs included

- Private head guide and assistant guide
- All transfers
- Lodging
- Meals
- Excursions customized to your liking
- Standard gear such as jungle boots and camping gear
- Wi-Fi
- Entrance fees
- Conservation fees
- Port taxes, etc

Optional expenses:

- cola or beer drinks
- souvenirs
- tips
- laundry



Survival Medicines

Venomous snakebite – piripiri leaves (Cyperus articulatus) Venomous insect – curarina bark (Potalia amara) Fever – sanango root (Sanango durum) Disinfectant – pichirina sap (Vismia angusta) Field dressing – fiber inside bark of machimango (Ceiba species) Antiparasitical – oje sap (Ficus antihelmintica) Dysentery or gastrointestinal distress – hierba luisa leaves (Cymbopogon citratus)

Day 4

Boat to the trail head in terra firme forest Hiking into the interior of the wilderness to establish campsite

Day 5

Exploring remote wilderness of the Amazon with your private guide and an assistant guide

Day 6

Morning exploration, then breaking down campsite, return in the afternoon by boat to the main lodge

Day 7

• Morning excursion, Afternoon boat to Iquitos, Transfer to airport or hotel *Breakfast, Lunch*

Some Things You Can Learn

- 1. How to choose a camp site: How to select site, soil and drainage aspects
- 2. Construction of fire: Recognition of wood that will have hard, dry interior even when waterlogged by rainforest humidity; use of copal resin as fire starter
- 3. Learn sources of pure water: Immature yarina (Phytelephas macrocarpa) fruits; puca huasca vine (Doliocarpus dentatus) and cano huasca vine (Uncaria spp.)
- Learn sources of food: Palm fruits; palm hearts from Euterpe and Iriartea genera; edible beetle grubs; legumes, especially from Inga genus; using barbasco (Lonchocarpus species) sap to stun fish; canabrava (Gynerium sagittatum) to build fish trap; tamshi vine (Carludovica devergens) to make animal snare
- 5. Raft construction: Recognition of balsa wood, tied together with tamshi vine, oar from remo caspii (Styrax acuminatum)
- 6. Mosquito repellent: Made from Nasutitermes termites
- 7. Weapons: Fishing spear from cumaceba (Cesalpina echinata); bow from cashapona (Iriartea exorrhiza), string from chambira (Astrocaryum chambira), arrowshafts from bamboo and arrowheads from cumaceba.

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

