



**AMAZONIA
EXPEDITIONS**



Amazonia's Classic Tour

8 Days/ 7 Nights

\$ 1695 per person (total land cost)

Day 1 – Arrival to Iquitos & Transfer to Tahuayo Lodge

Important: You can arrive to Iquitos in the morning or early afternoon (before 2pm); we start when you arrive.

- Airport or hotel pickup – Our staff will pick you up on arrival from the Iquitos Airport or directly from your hotel in Iquitos City. Land transfer from airport (30 min) to our office/dock complex in Iquitos City. Note: If you will be staying in Iquitos before/after your trip we also offer accommodations in Iquitos city. See: [Vista Amazonica](#)
- Transfer to Tahuayo Lodge – speedboat transfer (note–is up to 4 hours) up the Amazon River, then the Tahuayo tributary to our lodge.
- Arrival to Tahuayo Lodge – Arrive to the Tahuayo Lodge. Lodge orientation & meet with guides. Afternoon excursion (if morning arrival) and evening excursion of your choice.

Days 2-4 at the Tahuayo Lodge

Amazonia's main lodge on the Tahuayo River is not a resort, nor a hotel, but a rustic lodge, comfortable for adventurous travelers. Cabins are private, and all have private bathrooms. Explore from the lodge with your private guide in and around the Tahuayo Reserve. Included in the cost of your trip is a customizable itinerary and excursions day, and night. Excursions are planned upon your arrival to the lodge taking into consideration things like current weather conditions, [water levels](#), and animal activity patterns.

To get you started, here is a list of some of our more popular activities:

- **The Canopy Experience** – Experience the Tree Giants & Canopy of the Amazon Rainforest. Our NEW Canopy Experience allows you to explore 6 canopy platforms and explore the canopy on 4 ziplines more than 100 ft above the rainforest floor.

INCLUSIONS

Shorter or longer trips are available.

All in-Amazon costs include:

- Private guide
- All transfers
- Lodging
- Buffet Meals
- Excursions customized to your liking
- Standard gear such as jungle boots
- Fans available for cabins
- Unlimited purified drinking water
- Wi-Fi
- Entrance fees
- Conservation fees
- Entrance Fees & Taxes

Optional Expenses:

- Soda or beer drinks
- Souvenirs
- Tips
- Laundry



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- **Igapo/varzea Forest Exploration** – Explore a unique forest with alternating acidic water flooding (from the upper Tahuayo River) with alkaline water flooding (from the nearby Ucayali). Search for beautiful birds, primates such as pygmy marmosets, night monkeys, howler monkeys, and other wildlife.
- **Pygmy Marmoset observation** – Observe and photograph the world's smallest monkey, the endangered Eastern Pygmy Marmoset, on raised platforms near their trees. These tiny monkeys live for months on a single tree and are habituated to people's presence.
- **Tahuayo River Exploration** – Go by boat with your private guide to explore the Tahuayo River. Here you can spot colorful birds (macaws, tanagers, hawks) sloths, neotropical river otters and monkeys (Saki Monkeys, Titi Monkeys, Squirrel Monkeys & more) along the riverbank.
- **Cultural Visit** – Learn about life in the local communities and about the work of our nonprofit organization Angels of the Amazon. You can visit the Hospital we built and support or the schools we built (and are continuing to build).
- **Despensa Creek – “Monkey Trail”** – A full day hike where we will explore several different ecosystems including Terra Firme Forest. This region is home to fruiting plants, rich in bird life as well as several species of monkeys.
- **Tahuampa (flooded forest) Excursion** – Canoe in and around permanently flooded forest around either Tabano Lake or Traves Lake, with a vast diversity of wildlife. Search for the spectacular hoatzin (one of the world's most interesting and unique birds), black caiman, horned screamers, wattled jacana, giant fishing spiders, giant ficus fig trees and much more.
- **Frog Valley (Terra Firme)** – For this full-day excursion, you will ride a motorboat up the Rio Blanco to visit terra firme (never flooding) ecosystem. Hike through the dense forest searching for beautiful little poison dart frogs, harlequin toads, marmosets, leaf cutter ants and more.
- **Dolphin Lake** – Explore nearby oxbow lakes searching for the incredible Pink Dolphins of the Amazon Rainforest. Swimming is possible in some lakes. Note: we do NOT feed or disturb the dolphins in anyway.
- **Cocha Ecosystems** – Explore oxbow lakes in search of pink dolphins, wading birds, ospreys, squirrel monkeys and more.
- **Birding** – early morning birding along the Tahuayo River. With over 600 species, our region has a higher count of bird species of any site in lowland Amazon Forest.
- **Fishing** – Head by boat early in the morning or late afternoon to fish for the Piranha, Pacu, Vampire Fish, and other species.
- **Night Excursions** – Go for a night hike to search for scorpions, tarantulas, snakes, and other nocturnal wildlife. Explore by boat on the Tahuayo or Blanco River; here you can search for caimans, snakes, and frogs. If you are in the mood to relax....enjoy the constellations while you listen to the jungle symphony all around you.
- ***Anything else you want to see or do? Just ask. Your trip is fully customizable.***

Days 5-7 at the Amazon Research Center

Depart the main lodge in the morning en route to the Amazon Research Center (ARC). Search for wildlife along the way. The Research Center is more remote and about 2 hours up-river from our main lodge. It is formally recognized as a research institution by Peru's national science council, CONCYTEC (Consejo Nacional de Ciencia, Tecnología e Innovación Tecnológica). Cabins are private, simple, and comfortable, all have shared bathrooms. Sample activities from the Research Center:

- Explore the Trail Grid – We have over 75 km of hiking trails from the research center, most of the trails are laid out in a grid to facilitate the scientific collection of population data (In the rainy season these may become canoe trails). The trails go through several varieties of igapo ecosystems, including bajial, high and low restinga as well as palm swamp ecosystem. We can see many different species of monkeys, including brown and white capuchins, saki monkeys, titi monkeys, woolly monkeys, sometimes uakaris, as well as giant tayra weasels and tamandua anteaters. Data collected from camera traps also reveal a high density of jaguar and other predators live here, but these are rarely seen.
- Cochas – Boating the various lakes and rivers from the research center we often see caiman, anaconda as well as the highly endangered Giant River Otter.
- “Uakari Camp” Hike – a full day hike moving past the trail grid behind the lodge – here we can find a forest of Mauritia palm fruit which can sometimes attract wildlife including tapir, peccary, and occasionally the rare Red Bald-headed Uakari monkey.
- Hiking to Lake Yarina – Full day hike where we can see hoatzins on their nests, blue and yellow macaws and caiman.
- Night excursions – Trail Grid night hike, explore Tahuayo River by canoe or boat.

Day 8 – Return to Tahuayo Lodge & Return to Iquitos

- Depart the Amazon Research Center in the morning en route to the Tahuayo Lodge. Search for wildlife along the way.
- Speedboat transfer (note—is up to 4 hours) back to Iquitos.
- Arrival back to Iquitos – transfer to airport or hotel

(Note: Your flight should depart Iquitos appx. 4:00 pm or later this day. If you have an earlier flight we can usually be flexible, but please ask us first).

End of the Trip.

A NOTE ABOUT 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



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