

AMAZON STAR: 8-DAY / 7 NIGHT ITINERARY: SATURDAY TO SATURDAY

DAY 1 | SATURDAY - CITY TOUR & AMAZON STAR BOARDING

Our crew welcome you on arrival at the city of Iquitos. We then begin the tour by visiting some of the attractions in the area, such as the *Amazon Rescue Center* (CREA), a foundation dedicated to the rescue, rehabilitation and release of manatees; the *Museum of Amazonian Indigenous Cultures* and *Casa Morey*, built between 1910 and 1913, an example of the ostentatious architectural style favoured during the Rubber Boom era.

After the tour, we transfer to the port to embark the *Amazon Star*. There is an **orientation** and safety talk, as we begin to sail up the Amazon River.

In the evening, we enjoy a welcome dinner while the activities for the following day are presented.

DAY 2 | SUNDAY - AMAZON RIVER

Early in the morning, we can head to the deck for an optional **bird watching** activity. Peru contains the second highest number of bird species in the world, and the Amazon is home to many of them.

After a delicious breakfast, we go on a **boat exploration** along the Amazon River to see the local vegetation and wildlife.

Upon return, lunch is served. A naturalist guide will give a talk about life in the Amazon.

Then, we depart on a boat exploration to the **Yarapa River**, a tributary of the Ucayali River and a nature reserve protected by a local community.

After dark, the crew will play some live music on the board, after which we have dinner and hear about the next day's activities.







DAY 3 | MONDAY - YANALLPA STREAM / EL DORADO RIVER

We start the day before breakfast. with an optional **bird watching** activity from the deck followed by a visit to Yanallpa, a beautiful stream near the Ucayali River, where you can appreciate the vegetation and fauna.



After breakfast, we visit a school and a local village to learn about the **human culture** of the Amazon. Here, you can also acquire beautiful **handicrafts** which help sustain the community and their traditional arts.

Back at the boat, we have lunch on deck with a panoramic view of the river.

Later, a naturalist guide will offer a talk about the Pacaya Samiria National Reserve.

After dark, we take a **night walk** around El Dorado Stream, where we can see (and hear!) the nocturnal fauna.

We then have dinner, with a briefing on the activities of the next day.

DAY 4 | TUESDAY - EL DORADO RIVER / SUPAY STREAM

We wake up early to go on a dawn boat exploration of El Dorado River, which includes the chance to fish for the iconic Amazon species: the **piranha**. Breakfast today will be a picnic on the boat, so as to enjoy the natural environment for longer.

Back at the *Amazon Star*, we have lunch and then participate in an **Amazon cooking class**.

The afternoon exploration is by boat to Supay Stream, where you have the option to explore by **kayak**.

Then, in the evening, we have dinner back on board.

DAY 5 | WEDNESDAY - CITY OF NAUTA / PAWACHIRO STREAM

Breakfast on board.

In the morning, we visit the riverside city of <u>Nauta</u> and discover its main attractions as well as the local market, where you can get organic and exotic products from the area.

After the visit, we return to the *Amazon Star* for lunch. A guide will reveal some of the **myths** and legends of the Amazon.

In the afternoon, we explore **Pawachiro Stream** by boat. This is an area particularly rich in flora.

Upon our return to the *Amazon Star*, the crew will give another musical performance, before dinner.

DAY 6 | THURSDAY - PUCATE RIVER / NAUTA CAÑO STREAM

This morning, we visit Pucate River by boat, taking our picnic breakfast with us. As well as observing the monkeys, birds, and the immense variety of fauna that inhabits the area, we also have the chance to jump in the river, where we are often accompanied by **pink river dolphins**. There is also a **fishing activity** that you can join in.

We return to the *Amazon Star* for lunch and to hear a guide talk about the source of the Amazon River.



In the afternoon, we explore *Nauta Caño*, with the option of gently paddling along the stream in a **kayak**.

Then, after dinner, we can go on another night excursion, where we may be able to spot **caimans** lying on the river banks.

DAY 7 | FRIDAY - PUERTO PRADO VILLAGE / FAREWELL DINNER

Breakfast on board.

In the morning, we go on a walking tour to have direct contact with nature, including the giant **Victoria Regia water lilies**, a remarkable plant native to the Amazon

In Puerto Prado, we pay a visit to the local **shaman**, who will perform a ritual to fill us with good energy.

We return to the boat for an all fresco lunch (weather permitting) followed by a **cooking class** to learn more about the local gastronomy.

If you wish to broaden your mind further, another optional class is in creative towel-folding!

Our final boat ride departs in the late afternoon, to enjoy a colourful **sunset** ... with champagne.

Back on the *Amazon Star*, we have a farewell dinner where we can say goodbye to the crew who have served us so well.

DAY 8 | SATURDAY - DISEMBARKATION OF AMAZON STAR

We wake up early in order to disembark after breakfast, in good time to catch our outbound flight from Iquitos.







END OF SERVICES



INCLUDED

- All meals and snacks during the tour.
- All the excursions described in the itinerary.
- Local bilingual guide (English) expert in nature.
- Group transfers to / from the cruise upon arrival and departure of recommended flights.
- Drinks: soft drinks. Local beer and wine during lunch and dinner.
- Entrance fee to Pacaya Samiria Nature Reserve.
- Complementary use of paddle boards and kayaks.
- Tips (porters, shaman)
- Visit to the Manatee Rescue Center.

NOT INCLUDED

- Local flights (Lima Iquitos Lima)
- Guides and crew tips: US \$US 30 suggested per guest per day.
- Travel insurance
- Additional consumption in the bar
- Laundry service
- Private transfers from/to boat

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The *Amazon Star* reserves the right to change itineraries and activities on account of weather conditions, technical problems or for security reasons.

ABOUT THE BOAT

All cabins aboard the Amazon Star are spacious, equipped with air conditioning, en-suite bathroom, floor-to-ceiling windows and private balconies:

-	Superior Deck Suite (1)	261 square feet	2 pax
	Lower Deck Suite (1)	261 square feet	2 pax
	Superior Deck Double Cabins (5)	217 square feet	2 pax
	Lower Deck Double Cabins (6)	217 square feet	2 pax
-	Lower Deck Single Cabin (1)	175 square feet	1 pax