

Amazon Yarapa River Lodge 7D/6N Itinerary

Please note that the below itinerary can be subject to change, according to climatic conditions, and other operational considerations beyond the control of PeruNorth.

Day 1: Iquitos - Amazon Yarapa River Lodge (L, D)

Today, we pick you up from Iquitos Airport or an Iquitos hotel. To begin with we take you on a brief tour of Iquitos, the capital of Peru's Amazon region.

We then have lunch in the city, before making the 90-minute drive to <u>Nauta</u>, on the banks of the Marañon River.

Here, we board a motorboat that takes us up the Amazon River and then to the Yarapa, a remote tributary of the Amazon.

Once at the Amazon Yarapa River Lodge, we have and meet our guide to discuss the itinerary.

After dinner at the lodge, we make our first excursion into the rainforest.

Day 2: Birds & Primates (B, L, D)

After a hearty breakfast, we will spend the day enjoying the sights and sounds of the Amazon rainforest, with a focus on spotting birds and primates.

The nature of the excursions will be on foot or by boat, depending on the water levels.



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At the end of the day, we can relax in the hammock house overlooking the Yarapa River ... after our first full day in the Amazon Rainforest!

Dinner & overnight at Amazon Yarapa River Lodge.

Day 3: Remote Jungle Lakes & Pink Dolphins (B, L, D)

We wake up to the sound of Amazon birdsong.

After breakfast, we take the motorboat to explore three remote and pristine lakes, where we hope to spot birds, primates, and <u>pink dolphins</u>.

After another tasty lunch back at the lodge, we embark on an afternoon hike examining the fauna and flora of the area.



After dinner, we have a nocturnal cruise, to experience the sights, smells and sounds of the Amazon at night.

Day 4: Giant Water Lilies, Indigenous Village & Canoeing (B, L, D)

After breakfast, we set off to find the famous giant **Victoria Regia water lilies**. These are one of the iconic plants of the Amazon, which can be so large that it is said they can support the weight of a small child!

There is also a good chance to see the prehistoric **Hoatzin** birds in the trees surrounding the lake.



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In the afternoon, we visit an authentic **indigenous village**, where we can learn about their unique lifestyle, and see their handicraft tradition in action.

In the evening, we have the chance for a canoeing lesson, using an Amazonian dug-out canoe.

Day 5: Macaws & Caimans (B, L, D)

Today, after breakfast, we board the motorboat for a **birding cruise safari**. We hope to spot more than one species of the beautiful macaw, along with other birds ... and possibly primates.

After lunch at the lodge, we may be lucky to receive a **spear-fishing demonstration** from local fishermen.

After dark, we take the boat out again, to look for **caimans** hiding along the river banks.



Day 6: Medicinal Plant Hike & Fishing (B, L, D)

After breakfast, we embark on a hike examining the flora of the area, particularly **medicinal plants**.

In the afternoon, we have the chance to **fish for piranha** and other Amazon river fish, using rudimentary - but effective! - equipment and bait.

Day 7: Return to Iquitos (B, L)

After breakfast, we go on a guided, in the hope of seeing additional species.

We then have a final delicious lunch at the lodge, before making the boat ride back to Nauta, followed by ground transportation to Iquitos.

Once back in Iquitos, we transfer you to either your hotel or to the airport.

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