



CEIBA TOPS: LODGE EXCURSIONS 4 DAYS / 3 NIGHTS

DAY 01 - IQUITOS - CEIBA TOPS

Reception at the airport, brief city orientation and transfer to the Explorama dock.

Twenty-five mile journey down the Amazon River to Ceiba Tops, where private rooms with air-conditioning provide **Amazon adventure in comfort**.

Afternoon hike in the beautiful primary rainforest reserve surrounding Ceiba Tops that includes many huge trees festooned with epiphytes.

After dinner your guide will take you on a short walk to a small lake where caiman can be spotted at night and you can find some of the insects and frogs that produce a cacophony of sounds after dark.

Lunch, Dinner

Overnight Ceiba Tops

DAY 02 - CEIBA TOPS / EXPLORAMA LODGE / CEIBA TOPS

Early morning birding excursion.

After breakfast, board boats to continue down the Amazon River to the rustic Explorama Lodge and hike the "Bushmaster Trail" where scientific studies by the Missouri Botanical Gardens have found the world's highest biodiversity of trees per square hectare.

You will also visit a Yagua *cocamera* - a communal building where your guide will explain the [Yagua culture](#) and how it has been affected by the passing of time. There will be an opportunity to trade for or purchase some of their local crafts and for a demonstration of the use of the blowgun, which some of the Yagua elders still use for hunting.

After lunch, visit a clinic run by an American doctor for local residents; and if it is a weekday, a library for rural schools.

You will also stop at a river home near the lodge where the owner has a "corner shop" and sugar cane rum and molasses factory where horses are used to turn a sugar cane press.

Return by boat to Ceiba Tops.

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight Ceiba Tops



DAY 03 - CEIBA TOPS

Early morning birding.

Morning boating excursion to “Neiser’s Reserve”, an open-air rainforest animal sanctuary for different types of rainforest dwellers like coatis, anaconda, sloth, parrots, monkeys and toucan.

Afternoon boating excursion along the Amazon in search of either of the two species of [freshwater dolphin](#), pink and gray, found in the river.

There will also be an opportunity for fishing to see some of the incredible diversity of fish found in the Amazon River where more species exist than in the entire Atlantic Ocean. You will use a simple pole and line for catching piranhas as well as learning how to throw a cast net.

Those who catch fish will be able to try them for dinner!

Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Overnight Ceiba Tops

DAY 04 - CEIBA TOPS - IQUITOS

In the morning, you will go by boat to the town of Indiana. Originally a Franciscan mission, Indiana is now the political capital of this area of the Amazon.

From Indiana you will take [motorized moto-rickshaws](#) to cross a paved land bridge connecting the Amazon and Napo Rivers to the market & trading town of Mazan, capital of this region on the Napo River.

Mazan is especially interesting at this time of day as the early morning market has a variety of products and produce that come from the surrounding forest villages.

From Mazan you will return to Indiana: look for interesting topiary as you get close to town, and then travel by boat back to Ceiba Tops.

Afternoon journey back to Iquitos and on to the airport.

Breakfast, Lunch (if departure flight allows)

NB. Due to the ever-changing nature of the rainforest, day-by-day activities may vary in order, due to weather, trail or river conditions.