



Tahuayo Lodge Amazonia Eco-Tour 6 Days / 5 Nights

Day 1: Iquitos - Tahuayo Lodge

On arrival at Iquitos Airport, we greet you and transfer you to Iquitos docks. Alternatively, we will pick you up from your Iquitos hotel.

We board our speedboat, to make the journey upstream along the Amazon River, and then into the tributary river, Tahuayo, where the lodge is located. The journey takes roughly four hours.

Once settled into the lodge, we make our first excursion into the surrounding jungle.

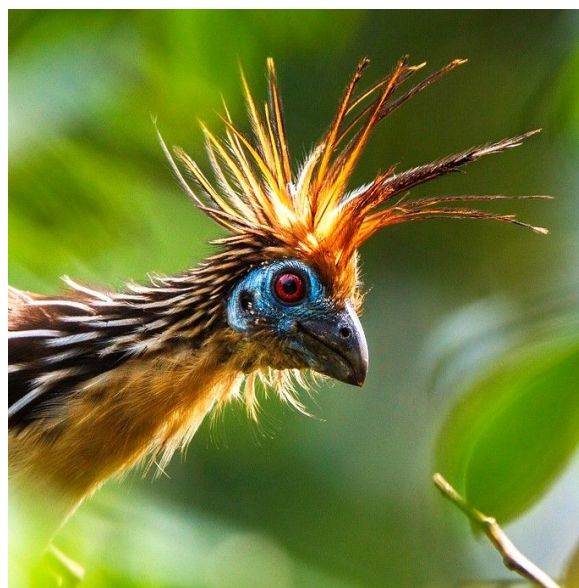
Dinner is at the lodge.

Meals provided: Lunch, Dinner

Days 2-3: Tahuayo Lodge

Guests have choice of guided excursions in and around the [Tamshiyacu-Tahuayo Reserve](#), during their stay. Here are some of the activities that you can choose from, in coordination with your guide, at no extra cost:

- The Canopy Experience:
 - Guests hoisted or climb 30 m (100 ft) into a large, emergent tree.
 - **Zip-line** from one tree giant to another.
 - Wooden platforms allow time for rest.
 - Can study tree-top life and enjoy the view.
- Hike into *varzea* forest behind lodge
 - Good chance of seeing pygmy marmosets, owl monkeys, yellow-crowned brush tailed rats, wire-tailed manakins.
 - Also possible to see black tamarins, saddle-backed tamarins, trogons.
- Hike to **Lake Tapaje**: explore by canoe.
- Canoe into *tahuampa* (flooded) forest:
 - Canoe past giant ficus trees
 - See hoatzin birds & horned screamers
 - Look for caiman on observation platform.



- Motorboat to *terra firme* forest, hike into Frog Valley:
 - See beautiful little poison dart frogs, which have been studied by scientists from Uppsala University (Sweden).
- See **Bat Cavity**: a huge tree whose centre has rotted away; braver people can crawl through!
- Motorboat to **Lake Charo**:
 - View [pink dolphins](#).
 - Swim in lake.
 - Look for squirrel monkeys, sloths, raptors en route.
- Fish for **piranha**.
- Visit native village of **El Chino**:
 - Visit handicrafts cooperative.
 - Visit shaman (subject to his availability).
 - Visit farm.
 - Visit school.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Days 4-5: Amazon Research Center Lodge (ARC)

Today we make the boat ride to the Amazon Research Center. On the way we will stop to spot bats, sloths, monkeys, raptors, toucans and much more.

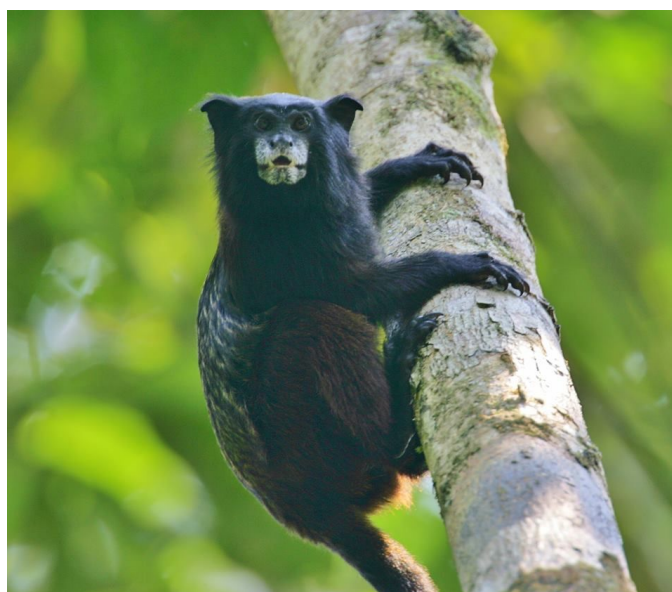
ARC is more remote than Tahuayo Lodge - in pristine rainforest - and accordingly more rustic: cabins have shared bathrooms, for example.

There are over 100 km (62 miles) of hiking trails from ARC, mostly laid out in a grid to facilitate the scientific collection of population data. The trails go through several ecosystems, including:

- *Bajial*
- High and low *restinga*
- Palm swamp
- *Terra firme*

Fauna regularly seen:

- Many different species of monkeys
 - Brown & White Capuchins
 - Saki Monkeys
 - Titi Monkeys
 - Squirrel Monkeys
 - Pygmy Marmosets
 - Moustached Tamarins
 - Saddle-backed Tamarins
 - Uakaris (less common)
- Giant Tayra Weasels
- Tamandua Anteaters.
- Jaguars (NB. rarely seen, but camera traps reveal a high density).



Possible activities:

- Participate in **Saki Monkey Project**
- Boat various lakes and rivers:
 - Caiman
 - Giant River Otters.
- Hike to **Lake Yarina** (full day):
 - Hoatzins on their nests
 - Blue & Yellow Macaws
 - Caiman.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 6: Amazon Research Center - Tahuayo Lodge - Iquitos

This morning, we make the return journey by boat to Tahuayo Lodge, where we have lunch.

After lunch, we take the speedboat back to [Iquitos](#).

We arrive back in Iquitos at approximately 4pm, and transfer you to the airport or your hotel.

Meals included: Breakfast, Lunch

Included:

- Transfers
- Lodging
- Meals, as stated
- Private guide
- Excursions customized to your liking
- Wellington boots
- WiFi (slow!)
- Entrance fees
- Conservation fees
- Port taxes

Not included:

- Sodas & alcoholic drinks
- Souvenirs
- Tips
- Laundry
- Flights
- Insurance
- Services not mentioned above.