

#### **ESCORTED AMAZON TOURS**

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### **Escorted Amazon Tour: - Iquitos and Pacaya Samiria**

This 12 day escorted rain forest tour takes best advantage of the location of the town of **lquitos** to bring a balance of fantastic **Eco-Watching** experiences with the comfort of good accommodation and close access to excellent transport links.

Pacaya Samiria National Park is a **natural** wonderland where you will discover a myriad of fish, plants and other wildlife. Pacaya Samiria is located in Peru's Amazon region, 100 miles west from Iquitos. It is the only location in Peru and one of the very few in the whole of Amazonas, where **manatees can still be found** in the wild.

The Reserve is located between the Maranon and Ucayali rivers, which intersect at the northeastern tip of the reserve.

Whilst in Pacaya Samiria we will be based at the Tambo Cocamas guesthouse. Our hosts will be the Cocamas-Cocamilla people in the village of San Martin. The Tambo Cocamas is of typical local design, constructed with materials native to the region yet well equipped with bathrooms, hammocks, lanterns and private rooms with mosquito netting and beds. Also included **are delicious regional meals**, and typical drinks.

Our days in Pacaya Samiria will be spent with **local** guides who know the secrets of the forest and will take us on a great adventure to lagoons, walking trails and night excursions. In the evenings you will witness the beauty and tranquillity of breathtaking sunsets reflected in the mirror like black

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You'll also have the opportunity to meet and barter with the local Cocama and Achual people who make a large variety of **unique arts and crafts** not found anywhere else in the Amazon.

From Pacaya Samiria we return to Iquitos and take a day relaxing at Quistococha lagoon before moving on to the well equipped Zungarococha lodge. Based in the forest you can take the chance to fish, walk

through the forest, and try canoeing through the lagoon or just enjoying sipping cocktails by the pool.

Before leaving we take the opportunity to enjoy a typical **Cebiche lunch** and see a little more of Iquitos.

Tour group size is usually limited to 6 due to restrictions on numbers permitted to enter the reserve, so early reservation is strongly recommended



## Day 1 Outbound for Iquitos

Flight Lima -Iquitos.

Transfer to the hotel in Miraflores, Lima.

\* Dinner \* in Miraflores.

Take time to collect your thoughts and enjoy a quiet drink by the pool.

# Day 2 Journey to Iquitos

Breakfast at the hotel in Lima.

Transfer to the airport.

Flight to Iquitos (about 90 mins).

Transfer to the Hotel in Iquitos.

\* Lunch \*.

Informal orientation meeting to welcome visitors to Iquitos and discuss forthcoming activities and tours.



Dinner at 'La Characata' a restaurant serving typical local food.

Visit to 'El Boulevar' where bars and restaurants look out over the river.

Here you will find the famous Casa de Fiero (Iron House) bought to Iquitos from Paris.

Take a long cool drink at Fitzcaraldos Bar looking out over the river and walk along the Boulevard, which has tremendous views of the river and the rain forest beyond.

\* Dinner \* at a restaurant serving typical local fare.

#### Day 3 Momon River

Breakfast in the hotel.

Leave Iquitos by boat for Pacaya Samiria.

Lunch on the Amazon River on board boat.

Arrive at the Native community in Pacaya Samiria.



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Rest and spend the night at the Tambo Cocama guest house.

Dinner.

#### Day 4 Tambo Cocama

Breakfast in Tambo Cocama.

Visit the community.

Lunch.



Visit the Quebrada Yanayaquillo to observe Pink and Grey dolphins.

Move on to Wiuri lagoon where we will camp for the night. Observing different species of plants animals and insects and later observing Caiman by torch light.

Dinner.

#### Day 5 Pacaya Samiria

Breakfast.

Walk through jungle trail observing the diverse wild life.



Lunch.

Return to the village.

Dinner.

#### Day 6 Pacaya Samiria

Breakfast.

Visit the Caro Cochato and see the amazing giant Arapaima fish up to 3M long plus Gamitana and other fish.

Lunch.

Walk into the Jungle to see Coto monkeys and Shanshos birds.

At night walk into the Jungle to see Tapirs.

Dinner.

#### Day 7 Return To Iquitos

Breakfast.

Return to the Village and rest.

Return to Iquitos by boat.

Lunch on board the boat.

Arrive in Iquitos.

Free afternoon for rest or relaxation.

\* Dinner \*

#### Day 8 Quistococha

Breakfast in the hotel in Iquitos.

Leave for Quistococha 9.30 am (Journey 30 mins by road).

Relax at the Quistococha lagoon.

\* Lunch \* at Quistococha.

Late Afternoon transfer to nearby Zungarococha lodge.

\* Dinner \* in Zungarococha.

#### Day 9 Zungarococha

Breakfast in Zungarococha.

Full day at Zungarococha lodge with forest walks, canoeing, fishing and full use of the facilities of the lodge.

\* Lunch \*

#### **Day 10 Santo Tomas**

Breakfast at Zungarococha.



Leave Zungarococha for Santo Tomas by boat (20 mins).

Lunch in Santo Tomas.

Return to Hotel in Iquitos by Road (30 minutes)

\* Dinner \*.



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#### **Day 11 Santo Tomas**

Shopping.

Breakfast in the hotel.

Visit to the Arts and Crafts market at San Juan.

Lunch of local speciality 'Cebiche'.

Afternoon free for shopping or sightseeing.

Final dinner.

#### Day 11 Return to Lima

Breakfast in the hotel.

Transfer to the airport.

Flight to Lima.



Connection to International flight or your next tour.

### Why Choose Amazon Holidays?

Our unrivalled local knowledge ensures that you: -

- Eat at the best restaurants in town
- Stay in the best hotels in the area
- Travel around using the best transport methods
- Explore the most exciting deep rain forest locations
- Dance in the top entertainment spots
- Have plenty of time for genuine wildlife encounters
- Gain a genuine insight into local cultures
- Help us in direct support of rain forest communities

We Provide One Bilingual Guide (min) Per 6 Persons

Please Note: - Meals marked with \* \* are not included in the package price.

#### Package Price Only £1300

(Based on double occupancy) including all transfers, and hotel board and breakfast.

Single supplements are £25 per night.

Stopover accommodation and meals in Bonaire are not included. Bonaire Stopover - Please ask for details.

Join us on an Amazon rain forest tour of Iquitos & Pacaya Samiria



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