

Overview

Spend 4D3N (our recommended “discovery” stay / our shortest stay being 3D2N) in our lodge located in the remote community of Libertad and run directly by 12 members of the village. Enjoy the attention of a very motivated local team, in a well maintained infrastructure and a 100% locally based initiative where you contribute directly to the wellbeing of the community members.

Highlights

- The pure **simplicity of the jungle life** and the **beauty of flooded forests ecosystems & dry lands sections**
- Each of our tours is a **private tour and the program of activities is totally customized by you**; each group has his own guide and boatman, for a totally personalized experience; you will run into other travelers during meals at the lodge, but each group goes at its own pace and with a focus on its favorite interests. Our guides have grown in the area, yet are perfectly bilinguals and know the ecosystem very well!
- See native **wildlife and flora** in their own environment: caimans, monkeys, birds, piranhas, pink dolphins, tarantula spiders, sloths, many species of snakes and much more!
- Meet locals and enjoy various opportunities to share the **village life for a genuine experience**
- Camping or remote cabin **overnight excursion options**, at no extra costs; multi-days tours also possible!
- Simple but well maintained infrastructure; **private cabins with bathroom** overlooking the river; good mosquito nets on windows and beds for bug-free nights!
- **Food is tasty & generous!** Vegetarian, vegan or gluten-free meal options are available

What you can expect in a 4D3N tour?

Note: itinerary for 3D2N tour is similar, with just a shorter quantity of activities to fit the available time.

Day 1 We meet you at the airport arrival (as early as possible to enjoy most of the day), or pick you up from your hotel in Iquitos. From there, our driver will bring you to the small town of Nauta in 2 hours. In Nauta, buy some last minute items you would need before cutting off from the mainland and entering the water world! The village is a pleasant 1h30 boat journey from there. On the way to the lodge, we will cruise through the “encuentro de las aguas”, where the Ucayali and Marañon merge to become the Amazon river. Depending on our arrival time at the lodge, lunch and dinner or dinner only will be served on day1. After you have settled in your private cabin, a briefing will take place with your guide to introduce you to the lodge environment and most of all understand your preferences and define a plan of activities for your stay. A first excursion in the afternoon to see the pink dolphins for instance and a walk after dinner to observe the large tarantulas will most likely help to get you into the jungle mood and ready for a quiet first night!

Day 2 Early morning boat ride to see the sunrise over the Amazon! This is a real magical moment... Observe the many grey and pink dolphins that abound in the area. Then, back at the lodge, enjoy a local breakfast meal, or something more classic if you prefer! Morning excursion in the dryland section of the forest hiking and looking for monkeys, parrots, snakes, spiders, ants and other insects. Lunch at the lodge. Afternoon excursion to discover the largest aquatic plant in the world, named Victoria Regia. On the way to the lodge, river bath, with optional mud scrub 😊. Dinner at the lodge. Night excursion by boat to see caimans, look for nocturnal birds and enjoy the many sounds of a clear jungle night!

Day 3 Full day excursion, boating to the very last of the many lagoons that abound behind the lodge; learn about medicinal plants with the explanations of your guide, on the way to a pleasant lunch break spot; piranha fishing as an option, with grilled fish for your meal 😊. Coming back to the lodge, observe giant trees and learn about the stories of the people who make a living in the jungle. Stop over a remote fishing village and meet some local families. Back at the lodge, enjoy football game with the lodge team and some village kids, before indulging with a warm sunset from our upper hammock room (we call it our observation tower); dinner at the lodge. Night Excursion to enjoy the Milky Way!

As an option, night 2 or 3 can be spent out in the forest, going camping with your guide. We do recommend this option, as it really will leave you with unforgettable memories about the atmosphere and sounds of the jungle; but you need to be ready for some rustic conditions.

Day 4 Breakfast. Enjoy the village life in the early hours of the day; learn about the different crops that are cultivated around the village (rice, yucca, various fruits,...) and the fishing techniques from traditional fishermen. Depending on your flight time, you still do excursions in morning / afternoon, and lunch at the lodge. Ideally, plan to fly out of Iquitos around or after 6PM to make the best of your last day.

List of activities to choose from

As our tours are really customized to what most interests you, the 4D3N description is just one example of what can be done. **Your own tour will be built at your arrival, between you and your guide, around a selection of activities.** Below is a list of the main possibilities:

- Observe gorgeous wildlife, including pink dolphins, sloths, frogs, snakes, spiders, many species of birds, monkeys, turtles, and many more.
- Every day choose from a variety of short or long daytime hikes; between short hikes, come to the lodge for your meals; long day hike include lunch in the forest;
- The lodge is surrounded by a maze of rivers and lagoons; each day, the excursions take different routes to explore each type of ecosystem;
- Nocturnal hikes searching for caimans, tarantulas, snakes and insects.
- Excursions are made by boat and / or foot
- Canoeing in flooded forest
- Excursion to see the famous giant water lilies.
- Piranha fishing
- Boat ride to see pink and grey dolphins.
- Learn medicinal plants.
- Overnight camping trip deep in the jungle, or in our remote cabin (optional)
- Learn survival techniques
- Enjoy a warm bath in the river after a long day of hiking
- Learn about the Kokama culture first hand by listening to the guide or other lodge team members explain about their history:
- Discover the village and get to understand better everyday life in the rainforest; visit school, medical center, and share time with locals, if desired; also, a visit to other remote villages is also possible;
- Enjoying our hammock room overlooking the river
- See the spectacular Amazon sunset and sunrise from the river.
- Night excursions to view the stars and the milky way.

What is included

1. Private airport or city transfers
2. All meals and purified water
3. Equipment: rubber boots, first aid kits, fishing gear,....
4. Bilingual guides (English & Spanish) and boat drivers
5. Private accommodations: separate cabins with private bathroom; bedsheet, towels, soap: provided.

What is not included

1. Personal wilderness gear: repellent, long sleeves shirt and pant, flashlight
2. Any transport cost to reach Iquitos from the mainland Peru
3. Hotel in Iquitos
4. Personal laundry, alcoholic or soft drinks
5. Gratuity for the guide
6. Insurance