



AMAZON ODYSSEY 5/4 PROGRAM

PROGRAM INCLUDES:

- Pick up and Drop off to Airport, bus or Hotel.
- River transfers to and from the Lodge (1h to 1.5h motorboat ride).
- 02 Nights' accommodation in Amazon Planet lodge.
- Meals, from lunch on first day to breakfast on last day.
- Guided tours (max 8-10 pax per guide).
- All reserve entrance fees.
- Activities according to the itinerary.

Activities included:

- Day and night jungle walks.
- Deep Excursion into Taricaya Ecological Reserve.
- Taricaya Canopy walkway & Highest Platform on tree top
- Tour of the Taricaya rescue center and conservation projects.
- Ese-Eja Tribal Experience. Visit to a native family
- Sunset cruise on the river
- Night river cruise in search of caimans and other nocturnal animals and Star gaze.
- Conservation talk.

Recommended add-ons (additional cost):

- Yoga & Forest Bathing
- Jungle bike trek



DAY 1

Arrival to Puerto Maldonado. Pick up from Padre Aldamis Airport in Puerto Maldonado, bus station or hotel in the city. Transfer to our office to repack only the necessary for your jungle stay. Make sure you have all the elements you will need for your stay. Check the travel guide where you will find a list of what to bring to the jungle to prepare beforehand for your trip [CLICK HERE](#)

Travel down the Madre de Dios river through the heart of the jungle surrounded by the flora, fauna and breathtaking scenery of the Amazon jungle before arriving at Amazon Planet Lodge (Approx. 1 hour).

12:00h - Transfer IN: When all guests on that day arrive before 11:00h. Arrive to Amazon Planet at 13:00h for registration at the main house and enjoy a refreshing fruit water to start lunch. After lunch, settle in to your private bungalow (Your bags will be taken to your bungalow by our staff) and take a rest before your first activity.

14:15h - Transfer IN: When some guests arrive after 12:00h. Arrive to Amazon Planet at 15:15h for quick registration at the main house and enjoy a refreshing fruit water to start your first activity (Your bags will be taken to your bungalow by our staff). You will settle into your cabin after the activity.

15:45h - Jungle walk. Begin your first activity with an introduction walk of the surrounding Jungle with your guide and group (Approx. 1hour).

18:30h - Night Walk. Take a night walk with your guide and experience the jungle as it transforms from day into night making way for nocturnal animals especially adapted for the dark (1 hour).

19:30h – Dinner and enjoy delicious Amazonian cocktails at the bar. Rest and end of day.

ENERGY IS WITH SOLAR PANELS. SAVE ENERGY, TURN OFF LIGHTS AND FAN WHEN NOT IN THE ROOM AND BEFORE GOING TO SLEEP. PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE FAN ON ALL NIGHT LONG OR YOU AND THE REST OF THE GUESTS MAY WAKE UP WITH NO POWER NEXT DAY.



DAY 2

7:30h - breakfast is served

8:30h - Start your day with an excursion along the forest parallel to the river until you reach the Taricaya Volunteers Lodge and Research Center. You will visit one of the lead conservation projects in the Reserve, the Taricaya Wildlife Rescue Center. Encounter many different wild animals including macaws, toucans, spider monkeys, howler monkeys, jaguarondi, bush dog, river turtles and tortoises, the Andean Spectacled bears (rescued from a circus) and more. The animals you visit are in enclosures which is the necessary first step in their rehabilitation process to be released back into the wild if possible. Some animals are residents who cannot be released for human or their own wellbeing and are given a good quality of life at the center.

PLEASE BE AWARE THIS IS A RESCUE CENTRE NOT A ZOO!!!! (we cannot stress this enough) These animals are in the process of rehabilitation before being released back into the wild, we do not support or condone animals in captivity for purposes of tourist attractions! Taricaya has single handedly repopulated these parts of the jungle with animals that have been able to return to the wild including the black spider monkey who was extinct in this area, through the first Reintroduction Program for Wildlife in Peru. You will also see the artificial beaches of the Taricaya turtle project (between July, August and September you will see the flags pointing out the turtle nests in the sand, relocated to be kept safe from poachers until they hatch and are released back to the beach the eggs were collected in November). Enjoy the sun setting from the tower close to the river and then walk back to the Lodge along the forest (2 hours).

13:00h – Lunch is served. After lunch relax in the hammock area, enjoy a cocktail from the Tunche bar or have a rest in the comfort of your private bungalow.



15:45h - Start your afternoon with a deep excursion into Taricaya Ecoreserve along an original primary protected forest surrounded by 300+ year old trees while your guide explains the history and biology of the flora and fauna by sight and sound. Arrive at our first platform located 15 meters high to access the canopy walkway, a 90-meter long suspension bridge, that takes you to the Canopy platform, the highest tree platform in South America. Located 45 meters high up in the crown of an ancient Kapok tree, it is not for the faint hearted and a great challenge for adventure seekers. Catch a glimpse of flying Macaws, parrots or Toucans; we enjoy the amazing view of the forest from above as we gaze at the sun coming down for a truly unforgettable sunset experience!

18:00h - Come down from the platform and we walk back to the Lodge as we experience the forest changing from day to night making way for nocturnal animals especially adapted for the dark (1 hour).

19:30h - Dinner and enjoy delicious Amazonian cocktails at the bar. Rest and end of day.

SAVE ENERGY AND USE IT WISELY.

DAY 3

4:30h - A very early wake before the sunrise, a cup of coffee and a to-go breakfast before heading upriver for 1h travel on the motorboat to the entrance of the Tambopata National Reserve. (Why so early? 2 main reasons: first, because the earlier we go, the best chances to see wildlife. Second, because the lake is an open area and the heat during the paddle gets very strong and overwhelming from 10am onward).



6:00h – Start your 3 km trek to Lake Sandoval. Upon the way enjoy the diverse ecosystem spotting wildlife on the way like squirrel monkeys, howler monkey, blue and yellow macaw and more. Arrive to the mouth of the lake and hop on a rowboat, your guide will paddle your group around the pristine mirror like lake to enjoy the beautiful scenery with the opportunity to encounter the impressive large black caiman. Continue on your search for the family of the endangered giant river otter that calls this lake home (Approx. 5 hours) Take your snack by the water's edge.

11:00h – After enjoying the amazing nature of the lake we leave we return via the 3km hike back to our motorboat and travel downriver back to the Lodge.

12:00h – Return to the lodge for a well-deserved rest. .

13:00h – Lunch is served.

14:00h – Relax in the hammocks area, enjoy a cocktail at the bar or rest in the comfort of your private bungalow.

16:00h – **Sunset cruise.** Meet your guide at the main house to explore the river on the motorboat with the opportunity to see turtles, monkeys, herons and other birds that are usually along the river side. At the point, we go to the middle of the river and turn off the engine to let the current flow take us on a relaxing ride while enjoying the beautiful backdrop of the sunset over the river. For the adventurous type, you can take a refreshing dive in the river. In dry season (July to Oct) we stop at the beach to feel the river water on our feet and take a swim (Approx. 1.5h).

17:30h – Return to the Lodge for well-deserved rest or cocktail in the bar.

18:30h – **Conservation Talk.** Join your guide at the main house for a talk about the conservation work we are part of in the area and watch some videos of the projects saving the Amazon.

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DAY 4

7:00h – Breakfast.

8:30h – Travel upriver for 15 minutes to visit a small island, home to a local native family of the Ese-Eja tribe. We are welcomed by Enrique. Listen how they swap between their native language and Spanish as your guide translates their stories, beliefs and history. Learn about their ancestral customs, heritage and the true story of how Enrique's grandfather and his tribe were forced out of the forest by missionaries. (Approx. 1hour) Finally, you can have a one to one talk with Enrique (your guide will translate). Check out their handcrafts and native jewelry on display, an important economic activity Esa Eja women maintain until today. We encourage you bring some soles and buy some of their work to support them and as a true native gift for you or loved one. We go back on the motorboat and enjoy floating downriver as we look for wildlife on the river banks and the energy of the river.

11:00h – Return to the Lodge for a rest and to enjoy a fresh jungle juice at the bar.

13:00h – Lunch is served.

15:45h – You can take an auto photo tour around the lodge facilities to capture the beautiful nature and wildlife that lives around us. If you want to test river fishing you can rent a fishing rod and see if you catch a piranha, catfish, or other river fish.

18:30h – Night Cruise. Prepare yourself for a night river cruise on the motorboat to go along the river. We will search for the spectacled caimans as they lay along the river banks at night, night jars, capybaras (biggest rodent in the world) if we are lucky. On an open night you will enjoy the amazing sky filled with stars and look for constellations as we float downriver enjoying the quite energy of the night in the jungle.

19:30h – Dinner and enjoy delicious Amazonian cocktails at the bar. Rest and end of day.

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DAY 5

7:00h – Check out from your bungalow. (Leave your bags packed and ready for our HK staff to carry them to the boat and PLEASE don't forget anything in your room) Breakfast is served The boat is ready to leave at 8:00h.

8:00h – Travel up river back to the city.

9:30h – Arrival to AP house/office, transfer to the airport and end of our services. If you have a later flight, feel free to stay at our house/office, we recommend places to visit for a self city tour and arrange you a later transfer to the airport following your flight schedule.

IMPORTANT

- Activities in itinerary are subject to change with short notice due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances out of our control.
- Order of activities is variable depending on date of arrival and tour availability.
- Established schedules can be modified in coordination with the guide and in agreement with other guests in the tour.
- In the case you do not want, or are not able to participate on an excursion, you may choose to stay at the lodge.

