



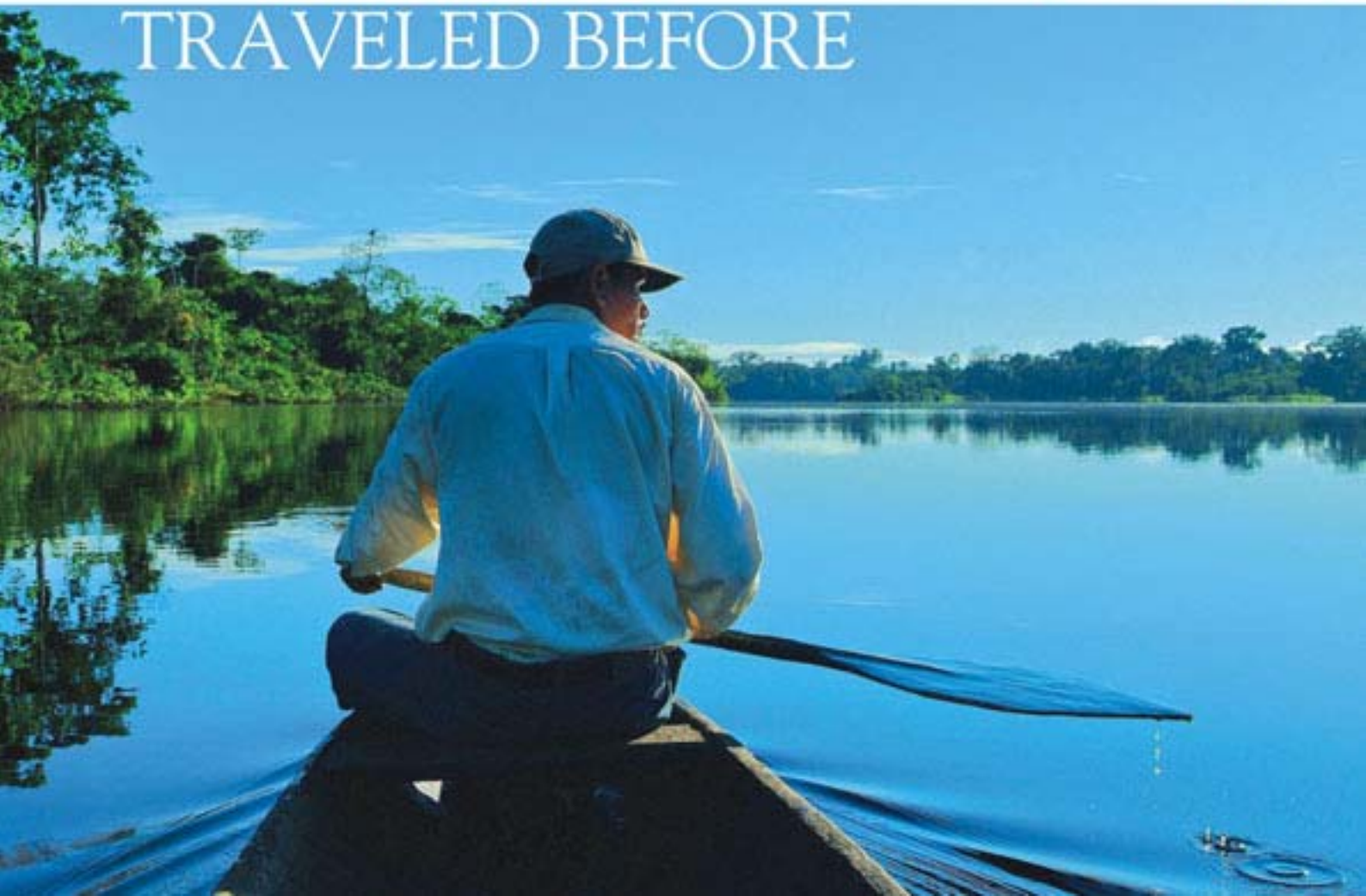
AQUA



TRAVEL  
WHERE FEW HAVE



TRAVELED BEFORE





# GOOD MORNING

It is morning in the Amazon Basin. A vivid red sun soars above the dense canopy of green. Local fishermen gracefully glide by on their hand-built dug-out canoes. The shrill cries of parrots and macaws fill the air. Look out of your suite's large picture window and you may see a curious howler monkey perched in a tree, looking like a tourist watching you. You are in the midst of one of the most remote, least visited areas of the world. At the same time, you are in a shipboard environment of utmost luxury. The aroma of coffee and a hot breakfast fill the air... it is time to start another day exploring the very heart of the world.



# THE HEART OF YOUR JOURNEY



As the M/V Aqua sails up the mighty Amazon, it will become clear that you are traveling where few have gone before. In fact, you will become one of only a handful of seasoned world travelers who have ever visited the remote Pacaya Samiria Reserve, a world of birds in neon-brilliant colors, playful monkeys, graceful hawks and herons, and millions of butterflies. Life teems all around you in this five-million-acre reserve, really a flooded forest, roughly the size of a Central American country. Little of that life is human, however. Only about 30,000 people live in this vast tract of land. You will have the chance to meet some of them.



# THE WORLD'S MOST DIVERSE ECOSYSTEM

On the river, you will experience the world as it was at the very beginning of time, when wildlife was rich and abundant, when trees grew tall and flowers bloomed everywhere. In this glorious environment, parrots and macaws perch in trees as though posing . . . fuzzy orange and chic black howler monkeys munch on the treetop leaves . . . pre-historic looking iguanas, like mini-dinosaurs, laze in the sun. You will have the chance to watch long-legged cormorants fish for their dinner, and will probably see alligators cooling themselves in the river, and-from a safe distance-the legendary boa constrictor.



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# EVERY DAY WILL BE DIFFERENT

During your light-filled days on the Amazon, you will explore winding jungle creeks by motorized skiff and stop at remote villages to search for local crafts. Your journey

through the region will take you on three powerful Amazon tributaries: the Marañon, the Ucayali, and the Puinahua, as well as to hidden black water lakes-

depending on your itinerary. You may choose three-, four-, or seven-night itineraries. Each day will be filled with new wonders.

PROGRAM	DAY	MEALS	LOCATION	ACTIVITY	
7 Night	3 Night	Saturday PM	D	Iquitos / Amazon River	Arrival to Iquitos, transfer to Dock and Check-in
		Sunday AM	B	Amazon River	River Exploration and Fishing
		Sunday PM	L/D	Amazon River Headwaters	Explore the Source of the Amazon River
		Monday AM	B	Marañon River / Pacaya Samiria Reserve	Full-Day Excursion and Picnic Lunch
		Monday PM	L/D	Pacaya Samiria Reserve	Monkey and Dolphin Expedition
		Tuesday AM	B/L	Marañon River / Amazon River	Puerto Miguel Village Visit / 3 Nighters Depart
		Tuesday PM	D	Amazon River / Ucayali River	Excursion to Spot Victoria Regias / 4 Nighters Arrive
	4 Night	Wednesday AM	B	Pacaya Samiria Reserve / Yanallpa River	Ucayali River Exploration
		Wednesday PM	L/D	Pacaya Samiria Reserve	Night Trip to see Caimans
		Thursday AM	B	Puinahua River / Pacaya River	Jungle Walk and Hatum Posa Village Visit
		Thursday PM	L/D	Pacaya Samiria Reserve / Pacaya River	Pacaya River Exploration Plus Night Trip
		Friday AM	B	Ucayali River	Pacaya Exploration and Breakfast on Skiffs
		Friday PM	L/D	Ucayali River / Amazon River	Fishing Trip
		Saturday AM	B/L	Amazon River / Iquitos	Iquitos City Tour and Departure

**Note:** Itineraries are subject to change due to weather conditions and time of year. River and tributary levels may vary, and thus navigation times and excursions may need to be modified at the captain's discretion.

3 nights



- Enapu Wharf
- Yanayacu River
- Yarapa River
- Nauta Caño Creek
- Yanayacu - Marañón
- Marayali Canal
- Puerto Miguel Village
- Town of Nauta
- Iquitos City

4 nights



- Iquitos City
- Town of Nauta
- Yanallpa River
- Dorado - Warmi River
- Hatum Posa Lake
- Pacaya River
- Yanayacu Lake
- Carocurahuyte Lake
- Enapu Wharf

7 nights



3 nights + 4 nights

- Road transfer
- On the M/V AQUA

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## LUXURY GONE WILD

You are about to embark on the voyage of a lifetime, sailing the earth's mightiest river. Imagine gliding through the Amazon jungle aboard a 130-foot-long, 24-passenger luxury vessel. Picture yourself walking to a remote native village and then returning to a gourmet lunch designed by one of Peru's superstar chefs. Spend an afternoon on a skiff, spotting monkeys and piranhas and the endangered scarlet macaw. Return to dinner, accompanied by extraordinary South American wines. Sit out on the observation deck to watch the jungle pass in slow motion. And at day's end, climb into your ultra-comfortable king-sized bed, falling asleep to the musical sounds of the jungle.

## A SMALL SHIP FOR A SELECT FEW

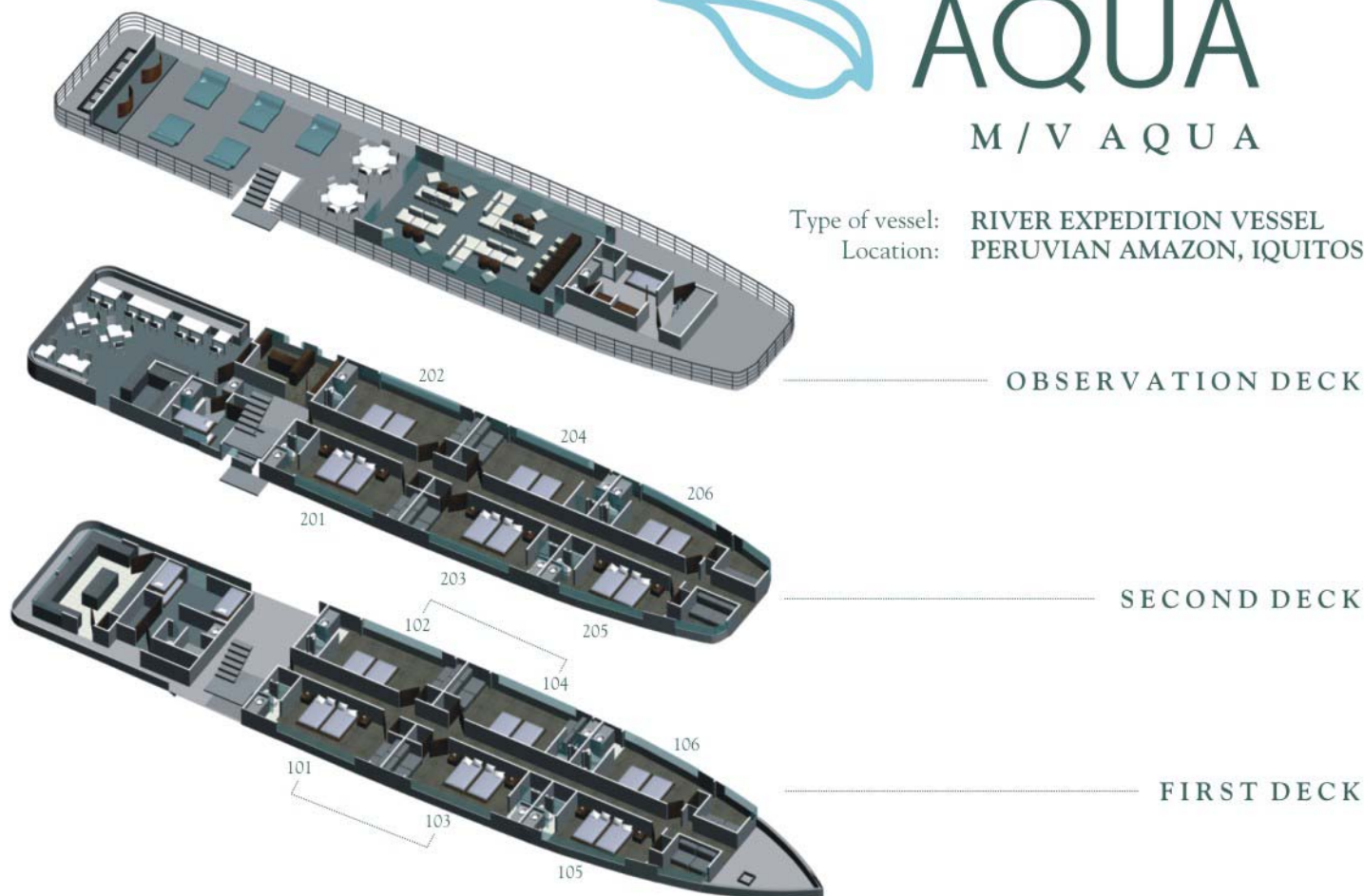
The new M/V Aqua, Aqua Expedition's flagship, will be the first true luxury vessel ever to cruise the northern Amazon. Its 12 oversized guest suites all feature en suite sitting areas and generous outward-facing panoramic windows. Each of the handsomely decorated air-conditioned suites measures between 230 to 240 square feet, and is designed by noted Peruvian architect Jordi Puig. Four suites can be interconnected, to cater to families. You can socialize in the dining room, bar, on the observation deck, and in the outdoor lounge. There is also a small boutique. A crew of 16 will meet all of your onboard needs, and three highly trained naturalist guides are there to introduce you to the area's natural wonders.



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Type of vessel: RIVER EXPEDITION VESSEL  
Location: PERUVIAN AMAZON, IQUITOS



## LUXURY EXPEDITION VESSEL

- 12 suites: All cabins have twin beds that are convertible to a California king-sized bed
  - 4 Master Suites measuring 240 sq. ft.:  
105-106-205-206
  - 8 Suites measuring 230 sq. ft.:  
101-102-103-104-201-202-203-204
- All suites face outside; large panoramic windows
- All air-conditioned with en suite sitting areas
- 4 interconnecting suites for families  
—— (101-103) and (102-104)

## SOCIAL AREAS

- Indoor Bar-Lounge
- Dining Room
- Outside Lounge
- Boutique
- Observation Deck

## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

- Capacity: 24 passengers (additional accommodation for 1 child in each cabin)
- Length: 130 feet / 40 meters
- Beam: 24 feet / 7.30 meters
- Draft: 7.3 feet / 2.25 meters
- Lifejackets: In all cabins
- Crew: 16
- Guides: 3
- Launch boats: 3, each with a capacity of 8-10 passengers, guide, and launch pilot
- Cruising Speed: 10 knots

## GOURMET FARE AND FINE WINES

Come in from the depth of the flooded forest, having just spotted a rare harpy eagle, or perhaps even a sleek black jaguar, and sit down to a world-class gourmet meal. The menu will feature glorious fresh fish and other local delicacies, all prepared with a Peruvian flair. Wine pairings will include some of the best South American vintages. The menu has been created by Executive Chef Pedro Miguel Schiaffino, one of Peru's stars.



## WEATHER

The weather in Iquitos is warm and humid with average annual maximum temperature of 31°C (88°F) and minimum of 21°C (70°F). The dry season (June-November) and the flooded season (December-May) feature particular differences in the plant and animal life as well as in the climate.

# COME RAIN OR COME SHINE



The M/V Aqua operates every week of the year. Conditions on the river change with the seasons, but each rewards visitors in different ways. The summer months tend to be the sunniest and the Amazon waters are lower. In winter, when the rains come, you can navigate by skiff deeper into the flooded forest, reaching areas inaccessible during the summer months. Come when your schedule permits, the wildlife is waiting!



# WHAT TO PACK

Life is casual aboard the M/V Aqua. Bring comfortable walking shoes, light-weight long pants and long-sleeved tops, a hat, lightweight rain gear, sunscreen, extra socks, mosquito repellent,

binoculars, and of course, your camera, with charger and spare batteries. Don't forget to include some items that you can give away to the locals (t-shirts, pens and paper are especially prized).





## EXPERIENCE PERU'S CULTURE AND NATURE

Your Amazon Voyage aboard the M/V Aqua can be a delightful stand-alone journey, or can be part of a longer exploration of the wonders of Peru. We have created a pre- or post-cruise itinerary that will take you to Peru's other great sites: Machu Picchu, the Sacred Valley, the mountain city of Cusco, and of course to Lima, the nation's capital.

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| Day 1   | Arrival in Lima and flight to Iquitos, board M/V AQUA   |
| Day 1-8 | Amazon voyage on board M/V AQUA   |
| Day 8   | Flight back to Lima and overnight   |
| Day 9   | Flight to Cusco<br>Arrival and private transfer to the Sacred Valley<br>Private guided visit to Pisac           |
| Day 10  | Private half-day excursion in the Sacred Valley<br>Train to Machu Picchu  |
| Day 11  | Private visit to the Machu Picchu Citadel<br>Train back to the Sacred Valley and private transfer to Cusco city |
| Day 12  | Private guided visit to Cusco city<br>Flight to Lima and overnight  |
| Day 13  | Private guided tour in Lima, city of the kings  |
| Day 14  | Departure home  |





Preferred Carrier

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