

ANAVILHANAS ARCHIPELAGO – 4 days

1) Introduction:

With a wide range of exposure to native culture and wildlife attractions, this tour offers climbing the giant trees, swimming with the pink dolphins, visiting the Tuiuka Indians, Parasailing, and navigation through black and muddy water ecosystems from Rio Solimoes to the heart of Anavilhanas in Rio Negro.

Peculiarities of the Region:

One of the largest river archipelago in the world - Anavilhanas, is the main attraction of the lower Rio Negro, a region blessed by nature and protected by ICMBio. Meanwhile, in the lake January, life explodes in profusion.

Meso-region

The Upper Amazon, particularly the region of Rio Negro, where the Anavilhanas archipelago and the city of New Airao are located, is an ideal region for ecotourism. Unlike other regions of the Amazon, the Rio Negro has almost no mosquitoes due to the natural insecticide found in its waters. Furthermore, this is the Amazon's most wild and preserved portion.

Recommended, For those who have little time but want to experience a little of everything.

2) Day-by-day 4 days

Day 1: Manaus / Rio Negro / Rio Solimões

- Board at 9 a.m. at the Hotel Tropical Pier in Manaus.
- Amazonian briefing: quick explanation on the animal life, plant life, river basins, local customs, study of the route maps, handout of the Ecotourism Booklet for Anavilhanas Archipelago and of the custom maps in pdf format.
- Arrival at Lago January, a rich Amazon ecosystem full of birds, reptiles, exotic plants and giant trees, fed by the waters of the Rio Solimões, abundant in living and organic nutrients.
- Anchorage for canoe ride nearby.
- Probable sighting of Tucuxi River Dolphins (*Sotalia Fluvialilis*), Pink River Dolphin (*Inia Geoffrensis*) and birds of the region, like Cooi Heron (*Ardea Cooi*), Great Egret (*Casmerodius Albus*), Blue-Yellow Macaw (*Ara Ararauna*), Festive Parrot (*Amazona Festiva*), Rufescent Tiger-herons (*Tigrisoma Lineatum*), Yellow-rumped Caciques (*Cacicus Cela*), Crested Oropendola (*Psarocolius Decumanus*) and Jacamars (*Galbulidae*), among others.
- We return navigating the Paran do Paracuuba to the Rio Solimões.
- Lunch on board.
- We arrive at the meeting of the rivers, where the Rio Negro meets Solimões and run parallel for more than 9 miles.

- Then it's time to search for the Pirarucu, the largest scaled fish in the world, also known as the lion of the Amazon.
- Navigate towards the Anavilhanas Archipelago, up the Rio Negro.
- Dinner on board & night navigation.

Day 2: Rio Negro / Rio Ariaú / Acajatuba Lake

- Sunrise at Tupé's beach, where there is a settlement of natives from the Alto Rio Negro.
- After breakfast on board, we descend to the village where we will have the opportunity to see a presentation of their traditional and well preserved customs, dance, as well as little history and crafts. After the presentation, there will be a cultural exchange in their native languages of Tuiuka and Tukano.
- Lunch on board.
- Navigate up the Rio Ariaú, a beautiful black water course with lots of vegetation and interesting attractions like giant trees, with the option of tree climbing (in part).
- After the Ariaú, going to the Lago Acajatuba, seeing the famous pink river dolphin in a floating house region. Food/diving/optional interaction.
- After dinner, a viewing of alligators and other nocturnal animals.

Day 3: Anavilhanas Archipelago

- The day begins in the heart of the second largest river archipelago in the world, to the sound of the jungle "Igapós".
- After breakfast on board, aquatic trails such as paranás, igapós, lakes and islands.
- Under the shadow of Macacarecuia, swim with inflatable tubes in the delicious waters of the Rio Negro. Moments of leisure and contemplation.
- Return to the boat, lunch on board.
- Arrival at "sitio caboclo" of Mr. Manuel, visit manioc house, regional fruit orchard.
- Trekking 2 hours in a wonderful forest for viewing the fauna and flora of the Mainland.
- Finally, make overnight camp in the jungle "tapiri caboclo" (optional included).
- Campfire, talking, stories of caboclo folklore, sleep in a hammock (or onboard).

Day 4 – Anavilhanas / Manaus

- The day dawns in the forest, the sound of birds.
- Regional breakfast.
- Return hike through the forest, with the possibility of Amazonian fauna. Monkeys are very common in this region.
- On return stop at Tiririca community to exchange experiences with the riverside community.
- Parasailing over the Rio Negro, near praia da Lua (optional).
- City-tour of New Airão, crafts, artisan workshop and attractions.
- Farewell lunch on the boat.
- Transfer Novo Airão - Manaus, scheduled for 15:30 arrival.

3) General Characteristics

The purpose of the regional style boats is to provide to our clients the feeling of traveling in line boats, such like the local people do, but with more comfort, safety, and onboard services. Wooden boats, ranging from 40 to 80 feet, with a solarium, leisure area with cover, table and chairs, cabins, space for hammocks, electrical power, kitchen, lunch table, washrooms, mineral water, beverages and frozen foods. Also: rafts with Motors and canoes, according with the excursion needs.

The Jacaré-Açu Boat

- 3 floor Regional-Premium, 72 ft.
- Decorated cabins with air-conditioning,
- private bathroom, hair desk, high mattress density, goose feather pillows;

The Awapé Boat

- 2 floor Regional-luxe, 53 ft;
- Air-conditioned cabins with private
- bathroom, high mattress density, goose feather pillows;

Comfort itens included on both boats

- 110/220V Energy 24/7 in all cabins;
- Bank of Batteries for conversion 12V-110V, offering clean and noise-free energy when anchored.
- GPS, Sonar, Radar, Radio, Nautical Maps, Iridium cellphone;
- First-Aid kit, pharmacy, experienced and certified team;
- Complete Kitchen com oven, freezer, refrigerator, etc;
- Equipment for overnight in the jungle, Powerful flashlight for alligators spotting, Walkie-talkie radios for the trail;
- Binoculars for bird watching; Large photographic maps;
- Multiples leisure areas: Solarium, Living Room, Bar, Observatorium and Decks with shower; Card games, dominoes, chess and backgammon;
- Thematic library with maps and photographic books;
- Inflatable rafts and accessories for swimming in the river and waterfalls. Fishing rods;
- Leisure area with deck chairs and barbecue grill;
- Inspected/approved and fumigated.
- Optional equipment for tree climbing and parasailing.