

NATIONAL PARK OF JAU PLUS - 6 days/6 nights

Includes Anavilhanas Archipelago, Ruins of Airão Velho and Reserva Meduin

1) Introduction

The largest fresh water forest park in the world still guards enigmas to be revealed. Because its relatively complicated access, its paths, waterfalls, and creeks are not heavily explored by tourists. Monkeys, sloths, dolphins, lowland pacas and birds can be observed on jungle nights, or in the river, close to sunset time. During the dry season, the giant otters are the attraction. Riverside communities with genuine northern Brazilian culture, give the human touch to a region where nature still runs the show. The park's water system is composed by 3 big rivers (Unini River on the north, Carabinani by the south and Jaú on the center) and an infinity of small streams of dark water. These rivers present a high water volume variation during the year. The present itinerary refers to the wet season (march-july). The forests found on the banks of the rivers are called Igapó Forests and are flooded for a period of 6-8 months during the year. The dry forests are known as Firm Land Forests. This is the typical humid tropical forest, with trees that reach over 35 meters high, like the Samaúma. Its diversity represents 200 species per hectare.

Peculiarities of the region

The high Amazonas, particularly the Rio Negro region, where the the Jaú National Park is located, is ideal for Ecotourism. Unlike other regions in the Amazon, the Rio Negro has no mosquitoes due to the natural repellent present in its waters. This is also the most well preserved and wildest region in the Amazon. The Park is in the municipality of Novo Airão, where our expedition stops for a day. Jaú National Park was created in 1980, and the difference it made for the wildlife in the region is very clear in comparison with non-protected areas in the Amazon. In 2003, Jaú National Park was nominated by UNESCO as a "Natural World Heritage Site."

Recommended

For those who have less time but seek for a more complete experience



2) day-by-day 6 days / 6 nights

1ª night: Navigation Manaus – Jaú National Park

- Pick-up 17:00 p.m. at hotel or airport – transferred in air-conditioned vehicle to Novo Airão.
- Boarding. After a welcome speech and instructions on being on board with us, the boat sails.
- Multimedia lecture on the Amazonian biome and on the region that our journey will explore.
- In informal outfits, the commander's dinner on board is served.
- Night sailing to Meduini Reserve, a sanctuary adjacent to the Jaú National Park.



1º day: Meduini Reserve– Jaú National Park

- Water trail in a canoe by Igarapé do Meduini, with a probable view of birds, porpoises, alligators and monkeys.
- Piranhas fishing at the end of the water safari.
- Stand-up Paddle Ride (optional including the most athletic)
- Navigation to the entrance to the Jaú National Park. Check-in at the park entrance base.
- Visit to Samauma, giant tree of the Amazon forest.
- Lunch on board.
- Entrance to the river Carabinani or Igarapé Preto to visit and enjoy waterfalls near the waterfalls.
- Night sailing, with dinner served on board.

2º day: Jaú National Park

- The day dawns in the community of the traditional people of Cachoeira do Jaú.
- Tour in canoe of fisherman until the Island of the Apes, with observation of the Monkey Bicó and other animals.
- In the return, tour by the community: school, flour house, conservation program of chelonians, orchard with typical fruits, farm, soccer. Visita as Arvores Gigantes da região (Tanimbuca & Samaúma)
- Lunch on board, while the boat sails to the region of Seringalzinho.
- Stop for trekking in primary forest, up to the Itaúbal waterfall.
- Interpretive trail of fauna and flora.
- Focus on alligators and other nocturnal animals.
- Dinner



3º dia: Jáú National Park / Airão Velho

- The day dawns in the Jáú National Park.
- Rapid canoe incursion through inland lakes, to the base of the ICMBio at the exit of the park.
- Visit to Petroglyphs dated 800 bc (dry season)
- Visit the ruins of Airão Velho, anthropological site, the first Portuguese settlement of Rio Negro.
- Incursion to the wild waterfall of São Domingos, with lunch in the place (time of the flood)
- Bath and leisure at Praia do Sono (full season)
- Visit to the indigenous community of Mirituba (peak of the flood)
- Sitio caboclo and Trilha na Mata with waterfall on the Puduari river (dry season)
- Dinner on board

4º day: Caves and Mirador do Madada

- Visit to the caboclo site and Madada Museum



- Trekking from 3hs in primary forest to the caves of Madada, with probable animal visualization.
- Lunch at the site
- Fishery in the Juvencio igarapé
- Rest and End of afternoon at Mirante do Madada

5º day: Anavilhanas National Park

- Water trail through the holes and lakes of the Anavilhanas Archipelago - Paraná do Piçá and adjacent lakes
- Leisure at Praia do Camaleão (dry season)
- Lunch at the Beach - Barbecue fish with cabocla style (dry season)
- Canoeing in Paraná das Araras - visit to Arvores Gigantes (Macucus)
- Incursion through the hole of the Ambé to the adjacent lakes, in the heart of the National Park of Anavilhanas
- Alligator & Night Animal Focus in the Lakes

6º day:

- Visit to the Floating Pink Dolphins, interaction with the species.
- City tour of the city of Novo Airão, crafts of fibers, wood, indigenous
- Visit to the Mirante do Gavião Lodge
- Lunch at Floating Restaurant Moonlight Flower
- Transfer NA - Man in air conditioned taxi or Van



Note: For script preservation purposes, some place names are fictitious. The attractions remain trustworthy.

3) General features

The regional style of our vessels is to give our clients feel the sensation of traveling in line boats as do the natives of the region, but with comfort, safety and service on board. Whole boats made of hardwood, from 40 to 80 feet, with motorized boats and canoes according to the need of the excursions.

Jacaré-Açu Boat

- Regional-premium 3 story, 64 feet.
- Decorated cabins, air-conditioned with dresser and private bath, mattresses
- spring, feather pillows

Boat Jacaré-Tinga

2-story, 53-foot Regional-luxury;
Air conditioned cabins with bathroom mattresses, high-density mattresses and goose feather pillows:



Comfort items on boats

- Power 110 / 220V 24hs in all cabins;
- Battery bank 12V-110V, offering energy
- clean and free of noise when stopped.
- GPS, Sonar, Radar, Radio, Nautical charts, Iridium phone;
- first-aid kit, pharmacy, experienced and trained staff;
- Full kitchen with oven, freezer, refrigerator, utensils;
- Jungle overnight equipment, potent alligator focusing lantern, walkie-talkie radio for tracks;
- Binoculars for bird watching;
- Multiple leisure areas: Solarium, Living Room,
- Card games, domino, lady, chess and backgammon.
- Thematic library with maps and photo books.
- Buoys and accessories for diving in the river and waterfalls.
- Leisure area with shower, chairs, sun loungers,
- Refrigerated beverages and barbecue;
- Fishing rods, bow and arrow, blowpipe and zagaia;



Embarcação Jacaré-Tinga



For groups with up to 7 passengers, the departure is made with the Jacaré-Tinga vessel. With 8 or more passengers, in the Jacaré-Açu vessel.

Crew

Commander, chief-of-expedition guide, native guide, sailor, cook, and chambermaid.



Food

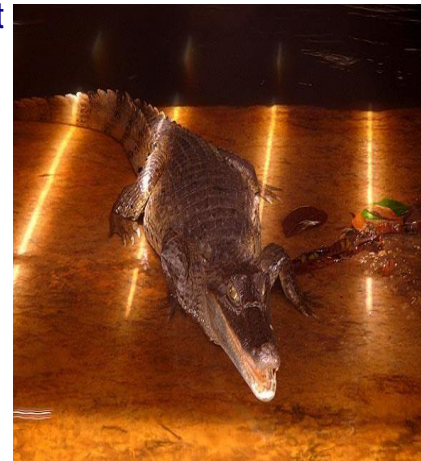


Tambaqui assado na brasa

Full board, including:

- 3 daily meals + tastings
- Juices and mineral water at will
- fruitcaipirinhas All foods are washed and boiled with mineral water.

Custom Menu Options: - Regional -
Internacional - Vegetarian - Lowfat LOW fat



Our rates include:

- Bilingual guide
- 2 min of satellite phone conversation
- Individual travel insurance
- Third-party rides and attractions
- Photographic map with expedition route, in PDF
- Charts and infographics about the Amazon, in PDF

- Documentary "The Next Meal" (TV Cultura), filmed in the region, on DVD.

Note: We request that the client bring a pen drive for the files, or provide an electronic address for attachment.



The company is protected from the right to proceed with modifications of the itinerary presented according to the level of the river, navigation conditions or climate conditions that may interfere with the proposed activity.

