

Kat's Great Adventures

Peru - The Zafiro Experience Amazon Cruise 2021 - 2022

Guided Tour

8 Days / 7 Nights



Every voyage aboard Zafiro offers a unique experience, a customized journey into the incredibly diverse Amazon rainforest – home to more than a thousand animal species and an equal number of plants, with new species being discovered all the time. Life never takes a break in Pacaya Samiria. It is so fertile and diverse, that even today, they still discover unique and unknown species. To immerse in its immensity, is to discover much more than what you can see in a lifetime. Pacaya Samiria Reserve is an authentic nest of life. It is a land that hosts dozens of species of reptiles and amphibians, hundreds of species of birds, mammals and fish and thousands of wild and cultivated plant species.

Itinerary Day to Day

Low Water Season:

Day 1: Nauta – San Joaquin de Omaguas – Amazon River

You'll be picked up at the airport and brought to the DoubleTree by Hilton Iquitos hotel where you'll enjoy a delicious lunch before being transferred by private vehicle to Nauta to board the cruise ship. Our staff will show you your suite, which will be equipped with comfortable beds, 100% Peruvian Prima cotton sheets, cotton bathrobes, air conditioning and a private bathroom with a shower and amenities.



Day 2: Pacaya Samiria National Reserve – Amazon River – Ucayali and Marañon River Confluence – Marañon River – Nauta Creek

Before breakfast, you can go out for a boating expedition on the Amazon River to explore local flora and fauna. When you get back you'll enjoy our breakfast buffet which offers a daily selection of traditional dishes, Peruvian specialties, freshly baked goods and freshly squeezed juices.

Day 3: Marañon River – Yanayacu de Pucate – San Regis

After having some breakfast, we will take a skiff out on the Yanayacu de Pucate River and do some piranha fishing using local techniques. We'll then head back for lunch aboard the Zafiro. Before starting the afternoon activity, there will be a talk about the philosophy of the Amazon. Afterward, we'll take a walk over hanging bridges, where you can admire the riches of the rainforest from the treetops.

Day 4: Marañon River – Samiria River – San Regis

In the morning we will enjoy a nice picnic on the Samiria River, where you will be able to kayak and swim in the black waters. We'll head back to the boat for lunch by midday. After resting, our guides will offer some information about the myths and legends of the Amazon, which will help during our afternoon activity: a visit to the local San Regis community, where we'll learn about the local way of life and traditions.

Day 5: Marañon River – Nauta – Casual - Pahuachiro

Before breakfast, we'll visit Nauta, the second largest city in the region. Upon arriving, we will take a motorcycle taxi to the local market where you'll see what business in the city is like firsthand. Later, we'll visit the Sapi Sapi Lagoon, where arapaima, the second largest fresh water fish in the world, are raised. Discover a new habitat surrounded by fruit trees. We'll also see Arrau turtles, butterflies and different species of birds and fish that call this lagoon home.



Day 6: Ucayali River – Bagazan Lake - Yucurichi

After breakfast, we'll take a walk through Yucuruchi, around the Ucayali River in the Pacaya Samiria National Reserve, and where we'll see many native animal species. Before midday, we'll head back to the boat for a cooking demonstration by the executive chef. After lunch, there will be a talk for anyone interested in the Pacay Samiria National Reserve and in the afternoon you can join the kayaking and swimming on the river or the expedition on the skiff to Bagazan Lake.

Day 7: Ucayali River – Yarapa River – Amazon River – Marañon River

Before breakfast, we'll set out to explore the Yarapa River, where the famous pink and grey river dolphins swim in the black waters. We'll then head back to the boat for breakfast on board before visiting the community of Vista Alegre. We'll see how the locals live and learn more about their customs with our guides, who will act as interpreters. Here, we'll get to see their butterfly park.



Day 8: Disembark in Nauta

After breakfast, we'll begin disembarking. On the way to the airport, we'll stop by the Amazon Rescue Center (CREA), where biologists and

volunteers take care of manatees – an endangered species- rescued by the authorities. We'll see how the manatees are cared for and prepped for reinsertion into their natural habitat. We'll also get to see other animals that have been rescued from attempts to turn them into pets and other dangerous situations. Afterward, you'll be transferred to the airport.

High Water Season:

Day 1: Nauta – San Joaquin de Omaguas – Amazon River

You'll be picked up at the airport and brought to the DoubleTree by Hilton Iquitos hotel where you'll enjoy a delicious lunch before being transferred by private vehicle to Nauta to board the cruise ship. Our staff will show you your suite, which will be equipped with comfortable beds, 100% Peruvian Prima cotton sheets, cotton bathrobes, air conditioning and a private bathroom with a shower and amenities.



Day 2: Amazon River – Kukama Reserve (Yanayacu of Yucapana) – Source of the Amazon – Marañon River – Puerto Prado Community – Nauta Creek

Before breakfast, you can go out for a boating expedition on the Amazon River to explore local flora and fauna. When you get back you'll enjoy our breakfast buffet which offers a daily selection of traditional dishes, Peruvian specialties, freshly baked goods and freshly squeezed juices.

Day 3: Yanayacu de Pucate – Japanese Lagoon – Yanayaquillo – San Regis – Amazonian Natural Park

Breakfast and outing on the skiff to different lakes and lagoons, until we reach the Japanese Lagoon. There, we'll enjoy a picnic and one of the best conserved and protected areas of the Pacaya Samiria National Reserve. It is also a popular spot to view pink river dolphins. Before heading back to the Zafiro, we take a trip to the Yanaquillo Gorge.

Day 4: Marañon River – San Regis – Shiriyacu

Breakfast and visit to the community of San Regis, where we'll learn about the people's way of life and traditions. We'll also learn about their ancestral traditions from the community's shaman. With our guides as interpreters, we'll be able to ask questions about spiritual connections and curing the soul. We'll then continue the ceremony by planting a tree as a positive contribution to the environment. There, we'll also see a market set up by women from the community to sell their handmade crafts.

Day 5: Marañon River – Nauta – Casual – Pahuachiro

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Day 6: Ucayali River – Yanallpa del Ucayali – Tapiche River – Dorado River

Before breakfast, we'll head out on a skiff to the Yanallpa area of the

Ucayali River in the Pacaya Samiria National Reserve, where we'll see many native animal species. After breakfast, we'll head out on a skiff to the Tapiche River in search of wildlife. Before midday, we'll head back to the boat for a cooking demonstration by the executive chef.



Day 7: Ucayali River – Yarapa of Ucayali (Black Waters) – Amazon River – Tahuayo River – Huaysi Community

After breakfast, we'll set out to explore the Yarapa River, where the famous pink and grey dolphins swim in its black waters. Back on the Zafiro, we'll see the confluence of the Ucayali and Marañon rivers, which give rise to the Amazon River. After lunch, we'll take the skiff out on the Amazon River to visit the Huaysi community. There, we'll see how the locals live and learn more about their customs with our guides, who will act as interpreters.

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volunteers take care of manatees – an endangered species- rescued by the authorities. We'll see how the manatees are cared for and prepped for reinsertion into their natural habitat. We'll also get to see other animals that have been rescued from attempts to turn them into pets and other dangerous situations. Afterward, you'll be transferred to the airport.

Route

Low Water Season



High Water Season:





Seasons:

Travel Season: High Water Season Departures:

Departures for 2021: April 24 and May 8, 2021

Departures for 2022: January 8; March 26; April 9; April 16; April 23; April 30; May 7; May 14; May 21; May 28; December 3; December 10; December 17 and December 24, 2021

Low Water Season Departures:

Departures for 2021: June 5; July 10; August 7; September 4; October 16 and November 13, 2021

Departures for 2022: June 4; June 11; June 18; June 25; July 2; July 9; July 16; July 23; July 30; August 6; August 13; August 20; August 27; September 3; September 10; September 17; September 24; October 1; October 15; October 29; November 5; November 12; November 19 and November 26, 2022

Low Water Season: June to November. At this time the climate is drier and the low water levels attract creatures that can hardly be seen in the rainy season. The water level of the rivers falls during this period, exposing surprising sandy beaches. And ideal time to stroll through the forest and discover the Amazon flora and fauna. Ideal for travelers who want to discover the Amazon’s flora and fauna by walking through the rainforest.

High Water Season: December to May. This time of year is marked by rains and storms. It is in these months when most plants bloom or bear fruit, creating a unique show. Birds and primates are attracted by this spectacle and can be seen on the banks of the river. Ideal for travelers who prefer exploring the Amazon and its tributaries by boat rather than walking.

Price per Person:

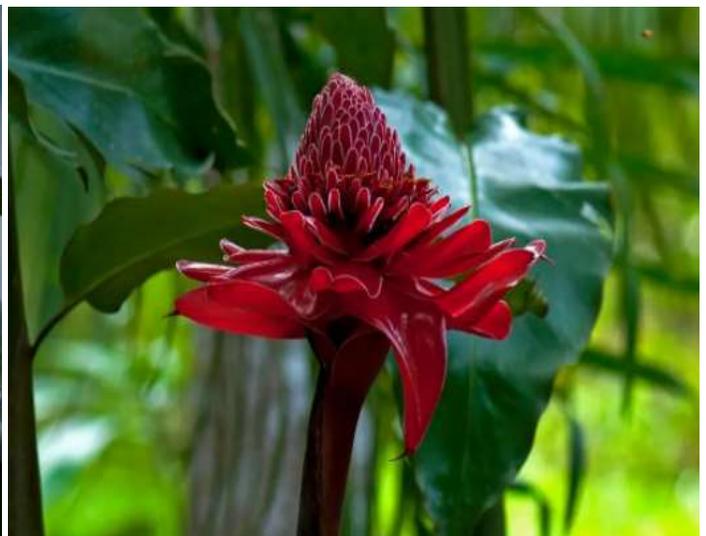
First Deck Suite	\$ 8000.00 USD
Second Deck Suite	\$ 8415.00 USD
Master Suite	\$ 8900.00 USD
Zafiro Suite	\$ 10100.00 USD
Single Supplement	+ 50 %

Included:

- One overnight hotel accommodation in Iquitos
- Pre-embarkation lunch at DoubleTree by Hilton Iquitos hotel
- All meals while on board MV Zafiro
- All excursions and equipment (including rubber boots and rain ponchos)
- Transfers to and from the airport on the recommended flights
- Entrance fee to Pacaya Samiria National Reserve
- Sodas, natural juices, coffee, tea, water, local alcoholic beverages (house wines, beer an pisco cocktails) are included at lunch and dinner
- Welcome drink (pisco sour)

Not included:

- International or domestic flights
- Gratuities – on board Zafiro we recommend an amount in the range of USD \$20 - 30 per passenger per night for the crew (to be divided among all the crew members) and between USD \$ 7 – 10 per passenger per night for the guides. Please note that the amounts are suggested and that this is entirely at the discretion of the guests.
- Additional transportation services
- Additional bar consumptions
- Any items of personal nature



The cruise ship MV Zafiro



Zafiro offers a once in a lifetime chance to discover the Amazon at a level of comfort and style exceedingly rare for such a remote place. The spacious panoramic windows that characterize the suites, together with the open relaxing areas, make the Zafiro an extension of the Amazon, from where you will admire every last detail of the immense and diverse spectacle that the Amazon rainforest represents every day and every night.

Cabins:

40 passenger capacity with private facilities. 19 Suites in total. 16 Suites, eight with private balcony. Two Master Suites with 90 degree view. One Zafiro Suite, 180 degree view with private balcony. All suites include air conditioning, twin beds convertible to a California king size (or double bed), desk, wardrobe, chest of drawers, hair dryer, private bathroom with Spanish shower, amenities, mini bar, safety box, internal phone, Peruvian cotton sheets

Suites: Suites with convertible twin or California king bed, panoramic floor to ceiling windows, eight with private balconies. Size 21 m2.

Master Suite: Suites with convertible twin or California king bed, panoramic floor to ceiling windows, with 90 degree view. Size 23 m2.

Zafiro Suite: Suites with convertible twin or California king bed, panoramic floor to ceiling windows, with 180 degree view. Balcony, jacuzzi style bath tub and convertible sofa bed. Size 45 m2.



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