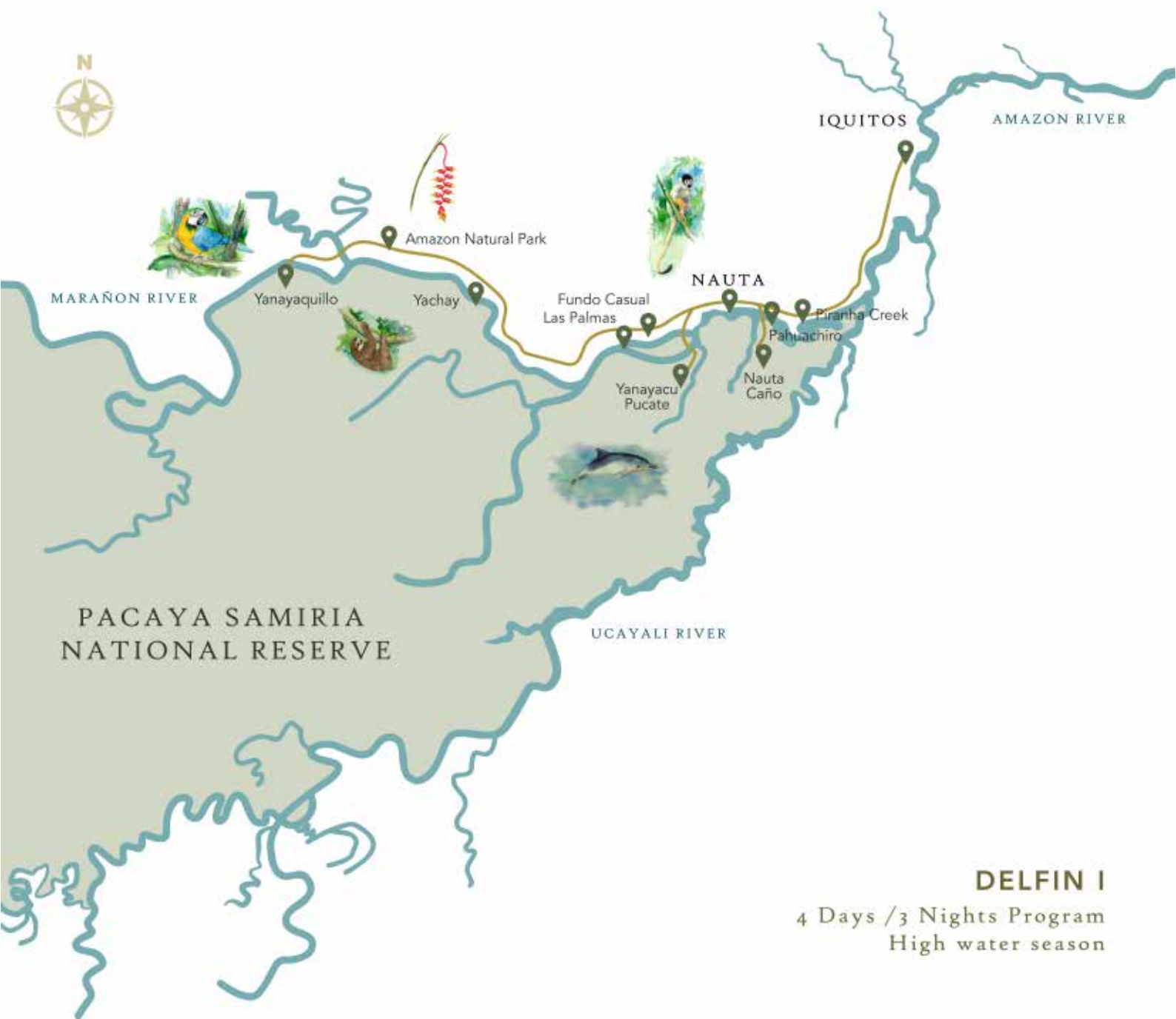




# DELFIN I

4 Days / 3 Nights program  
High water season

# ROUTE MAP



# TECHNICAL ITINERARY

HOUR	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4
Summary	Arrival to Iquitos, transfer to Nauta, embarkation	AM: Amazon Natural Park PM: Yanayacu Pucate	AM: Fundo Casual PM: Community visit & Confluence	Disembarkation & Manatee Center and transfer to Iquitos
AM			<b>Nauta Caño:</b> Skiff Exploration	
		<b>Amazon Natural Park:</b> Canopy Walk & Shaman Ceremony	Breakfast	Breakfast
		Breakfast at Posada (at the middle of a lagoon)	<b>Fundo Casual:</b> Trail walk	Disembarkation & transfer to Iquitos
	Arrive to the city of Iquitos	Return to boat and on board activities	Return to boat and on board activities	<b>Amazon Forever:</b> to learn about manatees and paiche Interactive tour with meliponian bees
PM	Transfer to Nauta in our private vehicles and lunch box	Lunch	Lunch	
	Arrive at Nauta city, VIP reception at our private port	Free time	Free time	
	Embarkation	<b>Yanayacu Pucate:</b> Kayaking & Piranha fishing	<b>Community visit &amp; Confluence:</b> Skiff exploration on the Unión de los Ríos	
	Orientation			
	Night Safari	Return to boat and free time	Return to boat and free time	
Night	Dinner	Dinner	Farewell dinner	
		Night Walk Trail		

## Notes:

\*Our schedules of activities are subject to change due to weather and river conditions with passengers best interest always in mind. Arrival and departure times may also change due to changes made to the recommended flights by the airline.

## Inclusions on Delfin I:

Natural juices, soda, coffee, tea, water, domestic beer, house cocktails, Pisco cocktails & sours, house wines 24/7.



# Day 1

PM:

- *Arrive to the Amazon city of Iquitos*
- *Embarkation*
- *Orientation*
- *Night Safari*



## **Arrive to the Amazon city of Iquitos:**

Our crew will be expecting your arrival at the airport, then transfer all together in our comfortable private vehicle. We will start you off with a lunchbox as we begin the journey to Nauta.

## **Arrive to Nauta port:**

Nauta is a small riverside town on the banks of the Marañón River and was the first city founded in the department of Loreto. Once we reach Nauta, you will enjoy a VIP greeting at our private port along the shores of the Marañón River where the vessel awaits you.

## **Embarkation:**

Aboard Delfin, you will be served by our qualified staff who will introduce you to your exquisite and cozy suite, specially equipped with all the amenities for the experienced traveler as yourself. Orthopedic beds, pure cotton sheets, pillows of 100% pure natural latex, cotton bathrobes, air conditioning, and private bathroom with Spanish style hot water showers are all framed with a spacious private terrace we are sure you will enjoy to the fullest.

## **Orientation:**

While the Delfin begins its initial navigation, you will enjoy the most fantastic panoramic views from the elegantly outfitted observation area located on our third deck. Your naturalist guide will give you an overview of your journey's schedule, activities, route, highlights, wildlife and vegetation to keep your eye out for, geographical and historical background, and other useful details.

## **Night Safari:**

We head down into the Marañón River, this lovely spot is an ideal place to spend some time in search of birds and playful monkeys. As your naturalist guide spots various creatures for you, the landscape adorned by the usual colors of the sun's reflections is a great photo opportunity as you witness your first Amazon Rainforest Sunset.

At night, the biodiversity of the jungle totally changes. You will search for alligators, bats and more nocturnal creatures that are so interesting and unique as daytime.



# Day 2

AM:

- Amazon Natural Park
- Shaman Ceremony

PM:

- Yanayacu Pucate



## Amazon Natural Park:

This very unique opportunity, you will get to the only Canopy Walkway in this area, an experience unequaled in the rainforest! At a height of over 25 meters (85 feet) and extending for 500 meters (one-third of a mile), the Canopy Walkway provides a view of the rainforest from the treetops, the best vantage point for observing Amazon wildlife and vegetation. The Canopy Walkway is accessible to all and requires no special skills or equipment. The suspended walkway is spread between 14 of the area's largest rainforest trees and is one of the longest canopy walkways in the world. You will enjoy "Terra Firma" forest.

You will have the opportunity to get to know Carola. She is a spiritual caretaker and healer to literally hundreds of jungle dwellers spread over many roadless miles. Her prestige and position are beyond reproach. The role of shaman is often misunderstood in the west, associated with black magic, and spells. While these things all have their place, the actual practitioners are as varied as in any profession. Carola is known as a "White" shaman, a healer and spiritual guide.

## Yanayacu Pucate:

You will start cruising through the Yanayacu and Pucate Rivers, peeking into different creeks and lagoons. This is one of the best preserved and protected zones of the Pacaya Samiria National Reserve. If you want to interact directly with the waters of the Amazon, go out on one of our kayaks or paddle boards. You will even have the opportunity to fish the famous piranhas!

After dinner, you will enjoy a night walk trail.





# Day 3

AM:

- Nauta Caño
- Fundo Casual

PM:

- Community Visit
- Confluence



## **Nauta Caño:**

Nauta Caño Creek is known for squirrel and silver back tamarillo monkeys, birds, dolphins, and even sloths! We will skim the riverbanks for small caimans and spiders, as well as insects of all colors, shapes and sizes.

## **Fundo Casual:**

The walk at Fundo Casual jungle trail will take you deep into the rainforest on terra firme (non-flooded forest) where your guide will point out the dynamic creatures and vegetation of the Amazon. Be sure to keep an attentive eye open for spotting surprises! Its almost unbelievable how with every step you find something along the way. Almost definitely Anaconda, Rainbow Boas, Tarantulas, Poison Frogs, and most recently porcupines have been spotted. This is one of the very few places in the Pacaya Samiria National Reserve Amazon Rainforest where you will spot the ever so elusive 2-toed sloth.

## **Confluence:**

On board our skiffs, you will visit a community to meet local villagers who have called Amazonia their home for generations. You may step into a typical schoolhouse where the children will be very happy to have visitors, and then stop by an area to see the women of this community who have a most amazing arts & craft market.

Better known as the "Unión de los Ríos" we will toast and witness the distinguished colors of the 3 rivers. It is known that the Ucayali River, which in turn confluences with the Marañón River upstream of Iquitos, Peru, to form what countries other than Brazil consider to be the main stem of the Amazon River.



# Day 4

AM:

- *Disembarkation*
- *Amazon Forever*
- *Meliponas Bees*
- *Airport departure*



## **Disembarkation:**

With heavy hearts, the staff will wish you farewell as you begin your departure. At the port of Nauta, our ground crew will be waiting to take you by our private vehicle back to the city of Iquitos, about 95 kilometers journey by paved road.

## **Amazon Forever:**

On our way from Nauta back to Iquitos airport, you will visit the Rescue & Rehabilitation Center of River Mammals (Amazon Forever) where you will have the chance to meet baby manatees and learn about these wonderful and docile creatures and why they are on the endangered species list. As well, there are also some other animals cared for by the center that have been rescued from capture for the intention of being turned into pets and other threatening conditions. We welcome you to donate to this ambitious organization and education center as you wish. Our land personnel will wait for you at the airport and give your boarding passes and help you check in.

## **Meliponas Bees:**

Before going to the airport, we will have an interactive activity that will allow us to learn more about melipona bees and their importance in the Amazon ecosystem.

## **Airport departure:**

Our staff will be on hand to help you with your luggage and check in at Crnl. FAP Francisco Secada Vignetta International Airport in Iquitos. The return flight will take you directly to the city of Lima, the capital of Peru. At the security gate, your guide and Delfin crew will say goodbye. We truly hope that you enjoyed your stay and Amazon travel experience with us!







## BONUS TRACK

Once you are on board, your naturalist will inform you of all the additional activities we will offer during your journey. Bird watching at break of dawn, slide show of endemic wildlife in the afternoon, discovering fruits from the rain forest you probably have never seen before, what about cooking a local dish? Or learning how to make a Pisco Sour! We encourage you to join us on every session to learn, feel & taste a little bit more of the Amazon.

### Notes

- ◎ **Nature walks & explorations:** Due to the conditions of the wet and humid rainforest, the Delfin outfits you with waterproof rubber boot rentals (included) for your comfort and convenience. Before each outing, the boots will be provided for you; after each outing, they will be returned to the staff for cleaning. We also provide the use of rain ponchos.
- ◎ **Kayaking:** Please check with your naturalist guide about the day's weather conditions for the use of kayaks. With the water level and weather forecast permitting, you are welcome to register, at your discretion, for the kayaking sessions. These sessions will be conducted in calm waters where you can paddle in a very relaxed manner. Our kayaks are ideal for 2 passengers each. The kayaking group will always be accompanied by an experienced naturalist guide for the entire duration.
- ◎ **Fishing:** Our fishing policy is in the form of catch and release.
- ◎ **Community visits:** It is possible to create very intimate experiences with the local native community people. For example, there are many young children and families in communities who have various needs in the absence of their own resources, so any help will be very useful. Kids love shirts (T-shirts), pencils, notebooks, and toys. Candies to distribute among them are also great sources of joy.

### Recommendations

- ◎ **Itinerary:** The itineraries are subject to change due to weather conditions at certain times of the year. The water levels of the rivers also vary from time to time, as well as the hours of sailing. Excursions may be modified at the discretion of the Delfin crew.
- ◎ **Weather:** The weather in Iquitos is warm and humid and the temperature varies between 33 °C (90 °F) and 21 °C (70 °F).
  - The rainy (high water) season is from November to May.
  - The dry (low water) season is from June to October.
  - Each season boasts dramatic difference in plants, animals, and weather.
- ◎ **Clothing:** light and fresh pieces, blouses, long-sleeved shirts, swimwear, shoes with soft rubber sole for the boat (rubber boots and rain ponchos are provided by us), cardigan or long-sleeved shirts, wind resistant jackets. The days are hot and humid while the night breeze is fresh.
- ◎ **Insects & Mosquitoes:** We recommend taking Vitamin B or B-15 a few days before arrival to the jungle. These vitamins are the best natural repellent against insect bites. As well, do not forget to bring conventional repellent and cream for bites.
- ◎ **Other items:** We suggest bringing sunscreen, a hat, sunglasses, binoculars (very important for enjoying the fauna and flora. Preferably 1 per person), camera, and extra batteries.
- ◎ **Connectivity:** There is no WiFi Internet or phone signal coverage on our vessels.
- ◎ **Tips:** Tips for both the crew and the guides are not included and are expected, as is customary on cruises around the world. The amounts are distributed equally between your entire vessel's crew, and we hope their service is valuable and insightful to your experience aboard Delfin. From past experience an average of US\$ 150.00 per passenger is suggested, and envelopes will be provided in your room.