



# DELFIN III

5 Days / 4 Nights Program  
High water season

# ROUTE MAP



# TECHNICAL ITINERARY

	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5
Summary	Arrival to Iquitos, transfer to Nauta, embarkation	AM: Yanallpa PM: Dorado River	FULL DAY: Pacaya River	AM: Yarapa River PM: Fundo Casual	Disembarkation, Aquarium & transfer to Iquitos
AM		<b>Yanallpa River:</b> Belluda Caño			
		Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
		Onboard Activity: Amazon Fruits demonstration	<b>Pacaya River:</b> Skiff exploration and swimming with dolphins	<b>Yarapa River:</b> Skiff exploration, community visit & Amazon Confluence	Disembarkation & transfer to Iquitos
		Return to boat and on board activities		Return to boat and on board activities	Tropical Fish Aquarium
	Arrive to the city of Iquitos				Arrive to the airport and farewell
PM	Transfer to Nauta in our private vehicles and lunch box	Lunch	Lunch in the middle of the jungle.	Lunch	
	Arrive at Nauta city, VIP reception at our private port	Free time		Free time	
	Embarkation	<b>Dorado River:</b> Skiff exploration, piranha fishing, kayaking and night Safari	Free time	<b>Fundo Casual:</b> Jungle Walk	
	Orientation			Farewell Cocktail	
	Onboard activity: Amazon macerated experience			Return to boat and free time	
Night	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Farewell dinner	
	Documentary: Rivers of the Sun	Documentary or movie night			

## Notes:

Please note that all itineraries are subject to change due to weather and operational conditions. Any updates will be communicated onboard by our Cruise Director & naturalists, always with your comfort, safety, and the best possible experience in mind.

## Inclusions on Delfin III:

Natural juices, soda, coffee, tea, water, domestic beer, Pisco Cocktails (Pisco Sour & Chilcano), house wines with lunch and dinner.



# Day 1

PM:

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



## **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.

Enjoy a beautiful and interesting documentary at the indoor lounge: Rivers of the Sun.



# Day 2

AM:  
- Yanallpa

PM:  
- Dorado River



## Yanallpa:

Here in the Amazon Rainforest, we can have dry mornings with beautiful sunrises. This is all we need to have a successful pre-breakfast exploration of the forest! The early morning hours are the best time of day to watch birds, observe their special displays and listen to their songs. We will jump on the skiffs and head to the shores of the Ucayali River. This area is green with large trees and old palm trees as well, and these components favor the presence of several parrot species. This particular spot also has a great number of other birds of different species. Perhaps spot a large flock of red-bellied macaws, as well different types of raptors, woodpeckers and swallows. If you are very lucky you will hear loud and distinctive sounds of blue and yellow macaws!

## Dorado River:

We will look for the famous hoatzins nesting a few feet above water, and perhaps a sloth or two of the three toed kind. The Dorado River can also be home to troops of brown capuchin monkeys mixed up with squirrel monkeys. As the sunsets our aim will be looking for black and white caiman, fishing bats, and Noisy Nights Monkeys where you will encounter a whole new world of adventure.

After dinner, join us on a movie night at the indoor lounge.



# Day 3

*Full Day:*

*- Pacaya River*



## **Pacaya River:**

The Pacaya River at the very heart of the Pacaya Samiria National Reserve, Peru's largest protected area with a mean annual rainfall of nearly 3,000 millimeters, by far the largest protected wetland reserve in the world. Filled with lakes, palm swamps, and streams, the reserve becomes a flooded forest in the rainy season and is sure to be one of the most beautiful places you'll ever visit. You will also have the chance to explore one of the pristine Amazon lagoons in this wonderful region!



# Day 4

AM:

- *Yarapa River*
- *Community Visit*
- *Amazon Confluence*

PM:

- *Fundo Casual*



## Yarapa River:

Along the Yarapa River, you will get to explore this tributary intimately. Listen closely for the sounds from within the mysterious jungle. We travel down river to this wide creek that leads to an attractive hidden lagoon. As we absorb the beauty of the landscape, we will have the chance to reflect on the wildlife. Hawks, terns, herons and monkeys which are part of our everyday excursions are readily close by; in this area we will notice many more inhabitants of the Amazon, the *riverenos*. People being an important part of this complex bionetwork only reinforce the fact that we are part of their lives and how our presence here and now could make a difference to the future of this magical land of the Incas. Look out for specific types of Monkeys like the pygmy marmoset, squirrel monkey, and our first Monk Saki. This medium-sized monkey with the thick fur and bushy tail looks more like he is dressed for the Arctic than the Amazon.

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.

## Fundo Casual:

The walk at Fundo Casual jungle trail will take you deep into the rainforest on terra firme (nonflooded 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.



# Day 5

AM:

- *Disembarkation*
- *Tropical Fish Aquarium*
- *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.

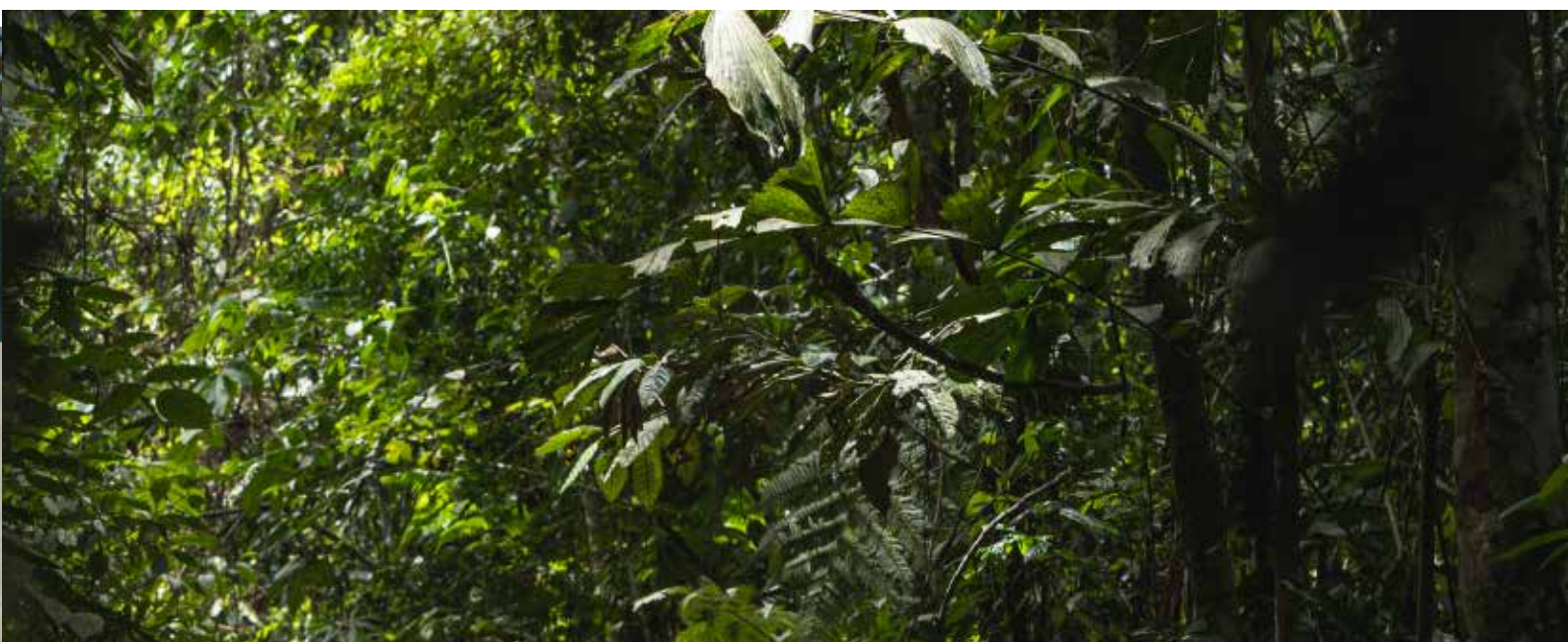
## Tropical Fish Aquarium

Before your return flight, we will make a short but fascinating stop at the Tropical Fish Aquarium in Iquitos, home to a wide variety of species native to the Amazon rivers. You'll get to see exotic creatures such as the giant arapaima (paiche), freshwater stingrays, and fish in extraordinary shapes and colors.

This final visit offers a wonderful way to conclude your Amazon experience, with one last glimpse into the region's incredible aquatic biodiversity.

## 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\$ 180.00 per passenger is suggested, and envelopes will be provided in your room.