

# Brazilian Amazon Adventure

APRIL 27 - MAY 12, 2024



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Dear Alumni and Friends,

Experience the incredible biodiversity of the Amazon rainforest like never before. We're excited to invite you on an exclusive adventure through the heart of this legendary wilderness, as we navigate the winding rivers of the Brazilian Amazon to explore its untouched and hardly visited depths.

Starting in the rich tropical metropolis of Manaus, our exclusively chartered, 12 cabin river cruise on the MS Jangada, will take you on an almost 1,000-mile (1,600 kilometer) journey deep into the lush green, so-called Lungs of the World. Along the way, you'll have the opportunity to explore a world of history, culture, and most importantly, adventure.

As you explore Codajás, Coari, Tefé, Mamirauá Nature Reserve, Fonte Boa, Santo Antônio do Içá, São Paulo de Olivença, Islandia, and Tabatinga/Leticia, you'll experience the unique culture and biodiversity of each location. You'll have the chance to encounter pink river dolphins, caimans, howler monkeys, and piranhas, as well as trek through an undiscovered world of plant life, immersing yourself in the infinite magic of this diverse natural wonder.

Throughout the journey, you'll be accompanied by expert guides who will enhance your understanding of the local wildlife, plants, and cultures. The guides will share their knowledge and stories, giving you a deeper appreciation of the Amazon's rich history and vibrant communities.

Space is limited to 24 passengers so please make your reservations early. For more information on our adventure and to reserve your spot, please contact GLP Worldwide at 1-866-760-1987 or [alumni@glpworldwide.com](mailto:alumni@glpworldwide.com).

Sincerely,



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## BRAZILIAN AMAZON ADVENTURE

April 27<sup>th</sup> – May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2024



*The Amazon Theatre*

### BRAZILIAN AMAZON ADVENTURE ROUTE



#### DAY 1 | APR 27 | DEPART CANADA

Depart for your flight to Manaus, Brazil.

#### DAY 2 | APR 28 | ARRIVE MANAUS (D)

Upon arrival, you will be transferred to the hotel and have the rest of the afternoon to relax and explore at your leisure. In the evening, you will enjoy a welcome dinner at the hotel which includes a three-course meal and beverages such as water, coffee, and tea.

*Accommodation: Juma Opera or similar (1 night)*



*Juma Opera Hotel*

#### DAY 3 | APR 29 | MANAUS – EMBARKATION - WELCOME TO THE AMAZON, CLIMB ON BOARD! (B, L, D)

Begin your adventure with a half day morning tour led by a knowledgeable guide, followed by lunch in the afternoon. Then, transfer to your site of embarkation and receive a warm welcome from the crew of the MS Jangada, your home for the next 13 days. As your ship departs, you'll witness the breathtaking natural phenomenon of the black waters of the Rio Negro and the white waters of the Amazon River flowing side by side without mixing for miles. Later, you'll enjoy a boat excursion on Limão Lake, where you can marvel at the stunning Victoria amazonica, a giant water lily named after Queen Victoria of England.

*Overnight on board*

*Ship: MS Jangada or similar (12 nights)*

**DAY 4 | APR 30 | EXCURSIONS BY DAY, ENCOUNTERS BY NIGHT** (B, L, D)

Begin your day with an early morning boat excursion on the Purus River, trying your hand at fishing for piranhas and catfish while observing the local fishing techniques. As you make your way to Codajás, witness the daily life of stilt villages along the riverbank, and keep an eye out for the elusive pink river dolphin. In the evening, embark on a jungle boat excursion, listening to the eerie howls of the monkeys as you scan the water for the glittering eyes of lurking caimans.

**DAY 5 | MAY 1 | MEET THE AMAZING AÇAÍ BERRY** (B, L, D)

A walk through the lively town of Codajás awaits today, surrounded by a beautiful landscape where everything revolves around the cultivation of açai berries. A boat excursion will take you to an açai plantation, where you'll have the chance to witness how these amazing berries are harvested from the tree tops and processed. The excursion also includes a visit to the picturesque village of Iracema. Afterward, local nature guides will take you on a search for otters and capybaras going about their routines.



*Amazon Rainforest*

**DAY 6 | MAY 2 | CAPITAL OF BRAZIL NUTS** (B, L, D)

Following an overnight journey, the ship arrives at Rio Japurá. The morning begins with an exhilarating jungle trek, where guests learn about the cultivation of Brazil Nut, followed by a visit to the Amazon city of Coari where the Brazil Nut is also a focus. Later, a picturesque boat ride takes guests to Coari Lake, formed by the confluence of the Coari, Urucu, and Arauá rivers.



*Deep into the rainforest*



*Maned Sloth*

**DAY 7 | MAY 3 | IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MISSIONARIES** (B, L, D)

Explore Tefé, one of the largest cities on your Amazon journey, founded by Portuguese missionaries in the 17th and 18th centuries. Marvel at the panoramic view of the ancient river from the monastery and uncover historical artifacts in the still-in-use buildings. Continue on to the fascinating Mamirauá Nature Reserve, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and one of the highlights of your trip. Here, explore the flooded rainforest on foot and by boat, home to unique and interesting plant and wildlife. Encounter the scarlet-faced uakari monkey or a sloth watching you from the treetops, and spot cormorants, parrots, and toucans among the foliage. A journey through the footsteps of missionaries, enriched by the natural beauty of the Amazon.



*MS Jangada Tour Guide*

**DAY 8 | MAY 4 | ON THE LAGOON OF THE CAIMANS** (B, L, D)

Embark on a boat excursion at the start of the day to the Lagoon of the Caimans, situated close to the Ucari Lodge, for a thrilling encounter with these large alligator-like reptiles. Glide past them in silence and feel the goosebumps rise on your skin. Later, depart from the Mamirauá Nature Reserve and continue westward to Fonte Boa. While on board the ship, take in the views of local river life, including fishermen throwing their nets and children selling fruits and vegetables from their canoes. Multicolored Amazon river boats filled with hammocks pass by as you relax and listen to the insightful commentary of your expert tour guides.

**DAY 9 | MAY 5 | THE FISHING VILLAGE OF TERRA NOVA** (B, L, D)

Begin your journey from Fonte Boa and cruise to the village of Terra Nova, where locals savor the abundant and flavorful Pirarucu fish. These mammoth fish, which can weigh up to 330 pounds/150 kilos, are exported throughout Latin America. Delight in the opportunity to savor Pirarucu during lunch as you engage with the locals. Gain insights into the production of Cassava flour and explore sustainable timber practices. After your visit, return to your ship in Fonte Boa and continue your journey, arriving in Jutai by morning.



*Amazon River Dolphin*



*Ms Jangada Sun Deck*

**DAY 10 | MAY 6 | JUTAI, DEEP IN THE JUNGLE** (B, L, D)

Explore the wild reaches of the Amazon on a morning boat expedition near Jutai. Relax on the sun deck of the MS Jangada and take in the breathtaking views of the surrounding jungle. You may be lucky enough to spot the magnificent Amazon river dolphins, whose dorsal fins occasionally appear on the water's surface. Learn about the fascinating culture of the Ticuna, the largest tribe in the Brazilian Amazon, from your knowledgeable tour guide on board the ship. In the evening, take a stroll through the secluded village of Santo Antônio do Içá, only accessible by river, and immerse yourself in the local way of life.

**DAY 11 | MAY 7 | BETHANIA, A DAY WITH THE TICUNA** (B, L, D)

Experience the picturesque river branches via boat to reach the village of Bethania. Witness the ritual initiation dance of the Moça Nova in a traditional hut, where handcrafted masks and black robes with feather and shell decorations immerse you in the Ticuna culture. Enjoy lunch in the lush, green nature of the Rio Içá, before returning to the ship to continue the adventure to the next destination, Sao Paulo de Olivença.

**DAY 12 | MAY 8 | SUPERFOODS OF THE AMAZON, TICUNA VILLAGE** (B, L, D)

Start your morning with an exciting activity of piranha fishing. Visit the lively and colorful market of Sao Paulo de Olivença, where you can taste the delicious and healthy Amazonian superfruits like peach palms, açai, and camu camu. Experience the daily lives of the locals and explore their artisanal handicrafts in the Ticuna village of Vendaval. As the day comes to an end, enjoy the breathtaking view of the red and violet shimmering Amazon sunset, as your cruise ship departs for the final leg of your thrilling adventure.



*Fruits at a market in São Paulo*

**DAY 13 | MAY 9 | AMAZON BORDERLAND, MAGUTA ETHNOLOGY MUSEUM (B, L, D)**

As you approach Brazil's border with Colombia and Peru, explore the Maguta Ethnology Museum and view the intriguing masks, costumes, clay pots, and paintings of the Ticuna people. Visit the nearby Peruvian village of Islandia, perched above the water on 33-foot pilings, before observing the unique flora and fauna of the area in the afternoon. Then, a shaman from the Matis tribe welcomes visitors to their village. This tribe had their first encounter with the Western world less than a century ago, and they revere the jaguar, using remarkable face tattoos and piercings as part of their adornment.



*Matis Tribe*



*Piranha Fishing*

**DAY 14 | MAY 10 | IN SEARCH OF THE JAGUAR MEN, TABATINGA (B, L, D)**

Equipped with blowguns and the infamous curare poison, go on a hunting adventure with the Matis tribe and learn how to move silently through the jungle while discovering medicinal plants and observing monkeys and birds. Next, take a short trip on the MS Jangada to reach Tabatinga, and explore the vibrant Colombian sister city, Leticia, in the late afternoon. As the sun sets, visit a beautifully maintained public park and witness the breathtaking sight of thousands of parrots returning to their treetop dormitories. Wrap up your Amazonian adventure with a visit to the fascinating ethnology museum in Leticia, the capital of the Colombian Amazon.



*Black Howler*

**DAY 15 | MAY 11 | ADEUS RIO AMAZONAS - DISEMBARKATION - TABATINGA - LETICIA - BOGOTA (B, D)**

Following breakfast, bid farewell to the exceptional ship and its gracious crew. Your journey into the uncharted territories of the Amazon has been an unparalleled adventure that will remain with you forever. After an emotional farewell, you will be transported from the pier in Tabatinga to Leticia Airport for your flight to Bogota. Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel for a farewell dinner.



*Ms Jangada Lounge Area*

**DAY 16 | MAY 12 | DEPART BOGOTA (B)**

Head to Bogota airport for your flight back home.



*Bogota Airport (BOG)*

# SHIP INFORMATION

## MS JANGADA

- Jangada, 2018
- Guest: 24
- Crew: 13
- Suites: 2
- Rooms: 10
- Length: 95 feet / 29 meters
- Width: 33 feet / 10 meters



Lounge Area

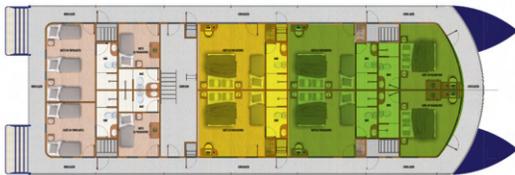


Dining Room



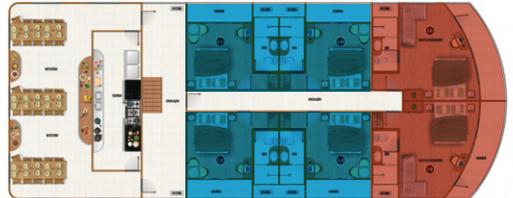
Sun Deck

## DECKPLAN



JANGADA - DECK 01

Main Deck



JANGADA - DECK 02

Upper Deck



Sun Deck

- Main Deck Classic
- Main Deck Superior
- Upper Deck Deluxe
- Upper Deck Suite



Main Deck Classic (approx. 17 m<sup>2</sup>)



Main Deck Superior (approx. 19 m<sup>2</sup>)



Upper Deck Deluxe (approx. 17 m<sup>2</sup>)



Upper Deck Suite (approx. 25 m<sup>2</sup>)

# PRICING & TERMS

CABIN CATEGORY	DOUBLE OCCUPANCY	SINGLE OCCUPANCY
Main Deck Classic	CAD \$13,580 per person	CAD \$19,060 per person
Main Deck Superior	CAD \$14,570 per person	CAD \$20,600 per person
Upper Deck Deluxe	CAD \$15,560 per person	CAD \$22,140 per person
Upper Deck Suite	CAD \$16,550 per person	N/A

Single passengers booked in double occupancy cabins are limited to 10% of the total passengers travelling within the group

## INCLUSIONS

- International roundtrip airfare in economy class from Toronto to Manaus and return from Bogota to Toronto (additional cost to be applied for other departure cities) including applicable air taxes and fees
- Domestic flight from Leticia to Bogota including applicable air taxes and fees
- 1 pre-night at Manaus hotel including daily breakfast
- 13 days, 12 nights cruise on the exclusively chartered MS Jangada
- 1 post-night at Bogota hotel including daily breakfast
- Meals included in the itinerary
- Soft drinks on board
- Excursions and transfers as per itinerary
- Gratuities for local guides, ship crew, and driver for included excursions and portage

## EXCLUSIONS

- Optional travel, health, accident or other insurances

## AIR CREDIT

If you wish to arrange your own air from Toronto to Manaus, and return Bogota to Toronto, an air credit of CAD \$1,500 per person will be deducted from the tour cost. Please contact us for air deviation, premium economy or business class upgrade surcharges.

Note:

1. Passenger names must match passport.
2. Please ensure that passports are valid up till after six (6) months at last destination.

## DEPOSIT AND PAYMENT

<b>FIRST DEPOSIT</b>	CAD \$2,500 per each confirmed passenger at the time of booking
<b>SECOND DEPOSIT</b>	CAD \$2,500 per each confirmed passenger due on Sep 30, 2023
<b>FINAL PAYMENT</b>	Due on Jan 15, 2024

## CANCELLATION CHARGES

From time of booking to September 29, 2023	CAD \$2,500 per person
From Sep 30, 2023 – Jan 14, 2024	CAD \$5,000 per person
From Jan 15, 2024 – February 28, 2024	75% of tour cost
From Mar 1, 2024 – date of departure	100% of tour cost

Air cancellation penalties are subject to airline regulations.

We strongly recommend the purchase of trip cancellation or comprehensive travel insurance at the time of booking. Please contact GLP Worldwide for a quotation.

Prices above are in Canadian Dollars. The program and all related travel services described herein are subject to the detailed terms & conditions of GLP Worldwide which are available at any time upon request and which will be provided with your booking confirmation.

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**LIVEAWAY MADERIA**  
MAR 15 - APR 13, 2024



**NORWAY LAPLAND**  
MAY 17 - JUN 12, 2024



**THE LEGENDARY  
SILK ROAD**  
OCT 15 - OCT 30, 2023



**ISRAEL, EGYPT  
& JORDAN**  
JAN 24 - FEB 8, 2024



**KENYA  
TANZANIA**  
OCT 2024



**JOURNEY THROUGH  
VIETNAM**  
Nov 6 - Nov 20, 2023



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