

## PERU - M/V SPONDIAS



### INTRODUCTION

Practically unexplored and uninhabited except for protected species in the interior, the Pacaya Samiria National reserve offers an astonishing potential for research studies and observation of wildlife, particularly of certain species in danger of extinction in other areas. This area has more than 85 lakes and exuberant vegetation with a great variety flora species such as the Lupuna tree, measuring up to 160 feet tall with a diameter of 10 feet in four forest types. It also has 130 species of mammals such as the jaguar, wild cat, river wolf and capybara (world's biggest rodent).

Come and join us to explore the Amazon on this 4 day cruise on board the M/V Spondias.

### ITINERARY

#### DAY 1: Arrival

Fly Lima to Iquitos on the afternoon flight. You will be greeted upon arrival and transported to the M/V Spondias riverboat. Upon arrival, take some time to settle in, relax and have a drink as you get to know your fellow passengers. There will never be more than 8 guests, so you will have the opportunity to make life-long friends. We will conduct a safety drill and explain everything you need to know about the M/V Spondias to have a safe and fun adventure. Savor the first of many wonderful dinners by our talented chef as we begin our journey along the Amazon. (Dinner)



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## DAY 2: Pacaya Samiria National Reserve

Enjoy breakfast as we cruise along the Marañón River. Board our excursion boat for a day-long excursion in the Pacaya Samiria National Reserve, the largest reserve in Peru and the second largest in all the Amazon. Travel by excursion boat from Yanayacu Creek to the remote Yarina Cocha. We will take a rainforest hike and you will experience the huge biodiversity that the rainforest is known for. Watch for monkeys, sloths, tree-frogs, iguanas, pink and gray river dolphins, and many varieties of bird species. Examine and learn first-hand about jungle plants – their unique survival tactics as they compete for sun and nutrients in the dense rainforest, the part they play in sustaining the complex balance of life in the jungle and the important medicinal value they offer. After a day filled with once-in-a-lifetime experiences, return to the M/V Spondias for dinner and a relaxing evening with friends. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)



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## DAY 3: Canopy Walkway

In the morning we depart for our next adventure – a spectacular tour of the rainforest from its canopy. Take a short hike to the canopy walkway – a suspended bridge spanning over 500 meters (1/3 of a mile) connected by platforms in the rainforest treetops. Experience a unique view of the rainforest flora and fauna from heights reaching 35 meters (115 feet). After this breathtaking experience, enjoy lunch and some free time aboard the Acacia. In the afternoon we will visit one of the local villages to gain a deeper insight into how people live in Amazon. Meet a local shaman, participate in a traditional ceremony of spiritual healing. Before you depart, you will have the opportunity to view and purchase some of their handicrafts and delightful folk art. (Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)



## DAY 4: Amazon River

As we cruise slowly back down the Marañón River we will come to the confluence of the Marañón and Ucayali rivers, where the “true” Amazon River begins. After lunch transfer to the Iquitos airport or your hotel. (Breakfast, Lunch)




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Inclusions & Details	
Accommodation	Standard
Inclusions	<div> All meals on-board  Excursions as stated on the itinerary  Airport transfers as stated on the itinerary  Meals as stated on the itinerary  Transfers to/from vessel when arriving/departing on recommended flights  Pacaya Samiria National Reserve entrance fee </div> <div> <b>Exclusions</b>  Air tickets to and from Iquitos  Domestic airfare and local airport taxes  Any additional excursions not mentioned in itinerary  Alcoholic and bottled beverages  Visa fees (if applicable)  Personal expenses  Gratuities for crew and staff </div>
Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)
Single Surcharge	Available upon request
Notes	Contact us for more details
Price Dependent upon	Season and availability

Sustainability

Chimu Adventures undertakes a number of sustainability measures within its operations including:

- 1) Only using local guides and office staff to both maximise local employment opportunities and minimise carbon footprints. Local guides also ensure you benefit from the intimate knowledge, passion and culture of the country you’re visiting.
- 2) Where possible, using locally owned and operated boutique hotels to maximise the return to the local community.
- 3) Chimu’s “Pass it on” programme has provided funding to hundreds of local community projects in Latin America. Our aim is to empower local communities, helping them to develop their own infrastructure for the future. Since 2006, we have been working with Kiva (a well-known Non-Governmental Organisation), providing hundreds of loans to local businesses all over South America.
- 4) In our pre tour information we provide a range of tips and advice on how to minimise your impact on both local environments and communities.
- 5) Chimu Adventures’ offices also take a number of sustainability measures including

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carbon offsets for company vehicles and most staff travel. Chimu Adventure’s internal processes are also structures to create a paperless office and to reduce waste. There are also internal programmes to help staff minimise their carbon footprint such as our staff bike purchase assistance plan which encourages office staff to commute to work via bicycle. Currently almost half of our office based staff commute to work via bicycle.

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