

PERU - M/V ARIA 4 DAY CRUISE



INTRODUCTION

This 3 nights Amazon River luxury cruise on the Aria Amazon begins in the remote colonial city of Iquitos, Peru and transports guests in exceptional comfort deep into the Amazon rainforest, along the Ucayali River, the Amazon's largest tributary, as well as other neighbouring rivers (the Yarapa and Dorado), each one rich in vibrant wildlife and thriving rainforests.

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DAY 1: Friday, Embark at Iquitos

Your guides await you at Iquitos Airport following your flight from Lima. Transfer to the wharf to embark upon the Aria Amazon, a boat of understated luxury. Begin the cruise along the infamous Amazon River before a dinner created by Executive Chef Pedro Miguel Schiaffino with the use of local ingredients.



DAY 2: Saturday, Yacapana Isles & Yarapa River

Rise early to appreciate the sunrise over the vast river and lush rainforest. Later in the morning sail up close to the Yacapana Isles, inhabited by a large amount of iguanas, before the opportunity to fish for piranhas. Enjoy some time at leisure taking in the stunning views from the sundeck while cruising downstream. At sunset, venture onto the Yarapa River, looking out for both pink and grey river dolphins, before continuing the search for wildlife after dark.



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DAY 3: Sunday, Yanallpa Flooded Forest & Ucayali River


In the morning explore the seasonally-flooded Yanallpa forest looking for wildlife such as the bald uakari monkey, squirrel monkeys, saddleback tamarin monkeys, sloths and many other species. Following lunch, venture out by boat to spot monkeys, a variety of bird life, and the rare pink dolphins found in the Ucayali River.



DAY 4: Monday, Pacaya Samiria & Disembark

Rise early to witness the Aria Amazon skirting the edge of the vast Pacaya-Samiria Reserve, a flooded forest covering five million acres at the headwaters of the Amazon basin. Venture out by skiff to see the sunrise over the birthplace of the Amazon River, the union of the Ucayali and Marañon tributaries, surrounded by the sights and sounds of abundant birdlife. Continue to the native village of Puerto Miguel to meet the local inhabitants. Disembark the Aria in the afternoon and transfer to the airport for your departure flight. En route, visit the Manatee Rescue Centre, where volunteers help rear manatees seized from fishermen.



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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation	Standard
Inclusions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All on board accommodation All meals whilst on board Bike use All excursions Beverages (non-alcoholic, select premium wines, sparkling wine and national beer) Transfers to/from vessel when arriving/departing on recommended flights Pacaya Samiria National Reserve entrance fee <p>Exclusions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Domestic airfare and local airport taxes Alcoholic and bottled beverages Visa fees (if applicable) Personal expenses Gratuities for crew and staff
Difficulty Rating	2 (light adventure)

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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 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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