

# Feral Human Expeditions

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## Flood of the Amazon

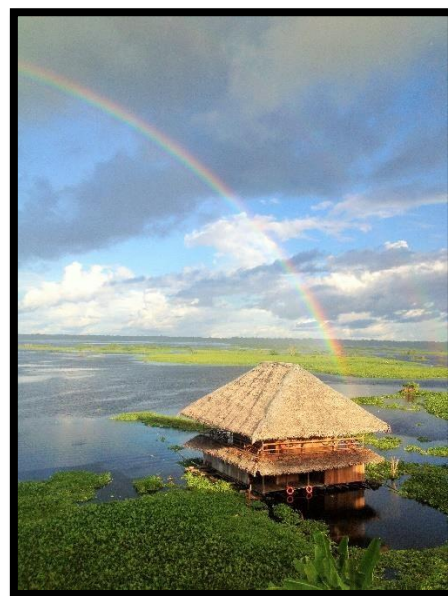
*A Riverboat Adventure on the Tahuayo River, Peru*

Paddle through treetops and watch as pink dolphins follow nearby. Quietly float this tributary to the Amazon as howler monkeys roar in the jungle and parrots squawk overhead. The Amazon is truly a magical place. Using a comfortable riverboat with cabins, we will paddle the dramatic annual flood in a series of easy day paddles. The riverboat will be our mobile base in the jungle, which provides safety and comfort without the need to find dry land.

### Facts at a Glance

#### Level of Difficulty-

Easy. Pace and distance will be determined by the group and we will always have the option of calling our support boat to come get us during our day paddles.



### **Trip Origination and Dates-**

**April 30-May 8.** Fly in to Iquitos, Peru on April 30 and fly home on May 8. The trip is nine days long during the annual flood season which is from January to May.

### **What's Included-**

Six days, five nights onboard *Selva Viva*, our riverboat complete with cabins, lounge, food, showers, crew, chef, and more. Also included are rafts or canoes, paddles, PFD's, guides, three nights in a hotel and transportation to and from the airport.

### **What's not Included-**

Flights, alcoholic beverages, food while in Iquitos (6-9 meals depending on flight times), unscheduled activities, personal travel insurance, and anything not listed as included.

### **Price-**

**\$2,700** with a minimum of six, and a maximum of ten participants.

### **Equipment-**

Participants will be paddling *Pakboats Pakcanoes* for two to three paddlers each. To learn more about *Pakboats* visit [pakboats.com](http://pakboats.com)

### **What You Need to Bring-**

- Appropriate clothing for being in the sun all day such as light long sleeve shirts and pants
- Full brim hat
- Sunglasses
- Sun screen
- Insect repellent/head net
- Shoes that can get wet
- Shoes to keep dry
- Rubber Boots (optional)
- Rain gear (poncho)
- Camera





## About the *Selva Viva*-

Last but not least, the *Selva Viva* is organized by a French nonprofit NGO called Latitude Sur which promotes fair and sustainable tourism as well as other scientific and environmental projects. Profits from their cruises help to fund these projects.

The *Selva Viva* is a traditional Brazilian style wooden riverboat and will be our mobile base for five days. She is 72 ft. long and comfortably sleeps 10 passengers in 5 cabins. She has three levels with 4 of the cabins, one restroom and shower on the bottom level. There is one cabin on the second level as well as a beautiful lounge/dining area, bar, small library, kitchen and two restrooms with one shower. The top level is the observation deck with hammocks to relax in while cruising through the jungle and viewing wildlife. The observation deck is a comfortable place to eat the delicious meals prepared by the boat's own chef should we choose to enjoy the weather outside.



# Itinerary



## Day 1

Fly into Iquitos and see the city. Walk around the Plaza de Armas and enjoy dinner from one of the areas many restaurants. Tonight we will sleep in Hotel Colibri conveniently located near the Plaza de Armas or Central Square.

## Day 2

Visit Belen and the markets. The lower part of Belen will be flooded, forcing people to use only the second stories of their houses. This market can be an assault on your senses with stimuli coming from everywhere. You will see the witches market complete with many potions, monkey heads, jaguar bones, snake skins and more as well as strange meats, fish, fruit, and other foods. If you aren't used to this kind of market it can be a little overwhelming for some, but it's an experience which should not be missed.

## Day 3

After breakfast we will board *Selva Viva*. *Selva Viva* is a roomy triple decker river boat complete with cabins for double occupancy or hammocks on the top deck. It has a beautiful lounge, showers, kitchen, bar, and we will even have our own chef on board. This will be our home base for the next five days.

Relax, read a book, or spot wildlife. Most of the day will be spent going up the Amazon River aboard the *Selva Viva*.





#### Day 4

Today will be our first day of paddling. We'll launch our boats right off of *Selva Viva* and paddle for around 4-5 hours, or just whenever we feel like calling for a pickup. The jungle here is totally flooded this time of year so it's unlikely we'll see any land. We will however see a variety of wildlife which could include pink and grey dolphins, multiple species of monkey, tropical birds, sloths, caiman, giant river otters and much more.



#### Days 5 and 6

These are more paddle days on the Tahuayo River. In addition to enjoying the jungle and the Tahuayo, we may decide to explore some of the lagoons and oxbow lakes or visit one of the local communities a bit further down river.

#### Day 7

In addition to our paddle, we'll stop at our friend Wilder's house. Wilder has many Amazonian medicinal plants which he'll be glad to teach us about.

#### Day 8

After a short paddle in the morning, we'll go back downriver to Iquitos aboard the *Selva Viva* and will spend another night in our hotel.



## **Day 9**

You can fly home or spend more time on your own in Peru. If we didn't get to see it in the first days of the trip, we might have time to the indigenous museum and other points of interest around the city.

If you fly out today, ground transportation to the airport will be provided.

## ***Hope to See You in the Amazon!***

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***All the Best,  
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