

## AMAZONIAN WATERS

Come glide through the fresh waters of Brazil's most beautiful beaches and navigate the rainforest with its true guardians.

## 5 days and 4 nights:

Alter do Chão Sailing the Tapajós, Arapiuns, and and Amazon Rivers Tapajós National Forest Munduruku Village



#### DAY 1

Boarding in Alter do Chão Sailing the Tapajós River and Jari Channel - Amazon River

#### DAY 2

Sailing the Arapiuns River: Atodi Village

#### DAY 3

Sailing the Arapiuns River: São Marcos and Coroca Communities

#### DAY 4

Tapajós National Forest and giant kapok trees Jamaraquá Community

#### DAY 5

Return to Alter do Chão and disembarkation

# A TRIP THROUGH THREE RIVER ECOSYSTEMS IN THE LARGEST BIODIVERSITY HOTSPOT ON THE PLANET.

You will navigate three different river ecosystems in one trip. Each river has a different shade of water and wildlife, influencing the cultures and traditions of riverside communities.



green waters

The vastness of the famous clear green river makes us forget that we are sailing in fresh waters. With one of the rarest shades of water in the Amazon, we feel like we are at sea surrounded by rainforest.

## AMAZON RIVER

white waters

To feel the power of one of the world's most famous and voluminous rivers flowing into the ocean, we will sail through a narrow channel in this ecosystem. The "white" waters of the Amazon River, as its brownish waters are called, are rich in nutrients. The ideal habitat for much of the Amazonian fauna, where we can spot a wide variety of birds and fish for piranhas.

## ARAPIUNS RIVER

black waters

The fascinating blackwater river has many stories to tell about the communities that have learned to respect its cycles for centuries and now teach us how all natural species can live in harmony.

## DAY BY DAY - AMAZONIAN WATERS

## ARRIVAL IN ALTER DO CHÃO

The nearest airport is Santarém (STM), which is about a 30-minute drive away. Alter do Chão will be the starting point for our boat trip.

#### DAY 1

**BOARDING** 

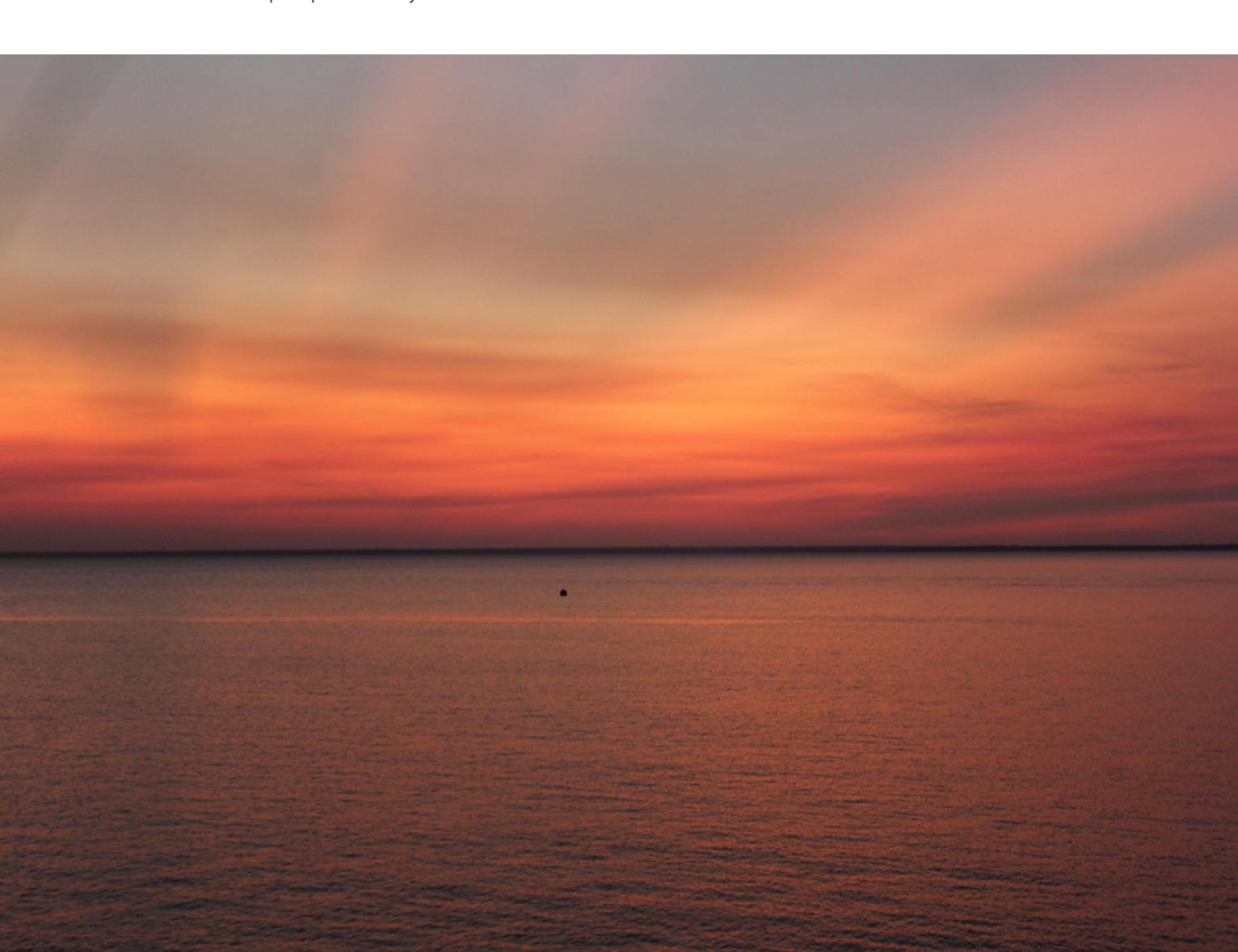
A BEACH ON THE TAPAJÓS RIVER AND THE EXPERIENCE OF SAILING THE COLORFUL WATERS OF THE AMAZON BASIN

Starting at 12 noon, we will board passengers from Alter do Chão and Santarém. To welcome you to the confluence of the forest with the vastness of the waters, we will stop at a charming beach on the Tapajós River.

Everyone is invited to take the first of many refreshing dives into the Amazon in Pará. From the green waters of the Tapajós, we will sail towards the white waters of the Jari Channel, part of the same ecosystem as the famous Amazon River. Because it is a nutrient-richer river, we can hear and observe the diversity of birds and other animal species. Get your camera ready: river dolphins may show up and swim alongside our boat. As we travel through this lush nature, we are rewarded with beautiful views of both varying shades of water and rich wildlife.

After toasting with local fruit drinks as the sun sets across the Amazon skyline, we will proceed to the black waters of the Arapiuns River surrounded by a sky full of stars.

You will taste the delicious cuisine of Pará served on board in typical appetizers and dishes prepared by our team.



## DAY 2

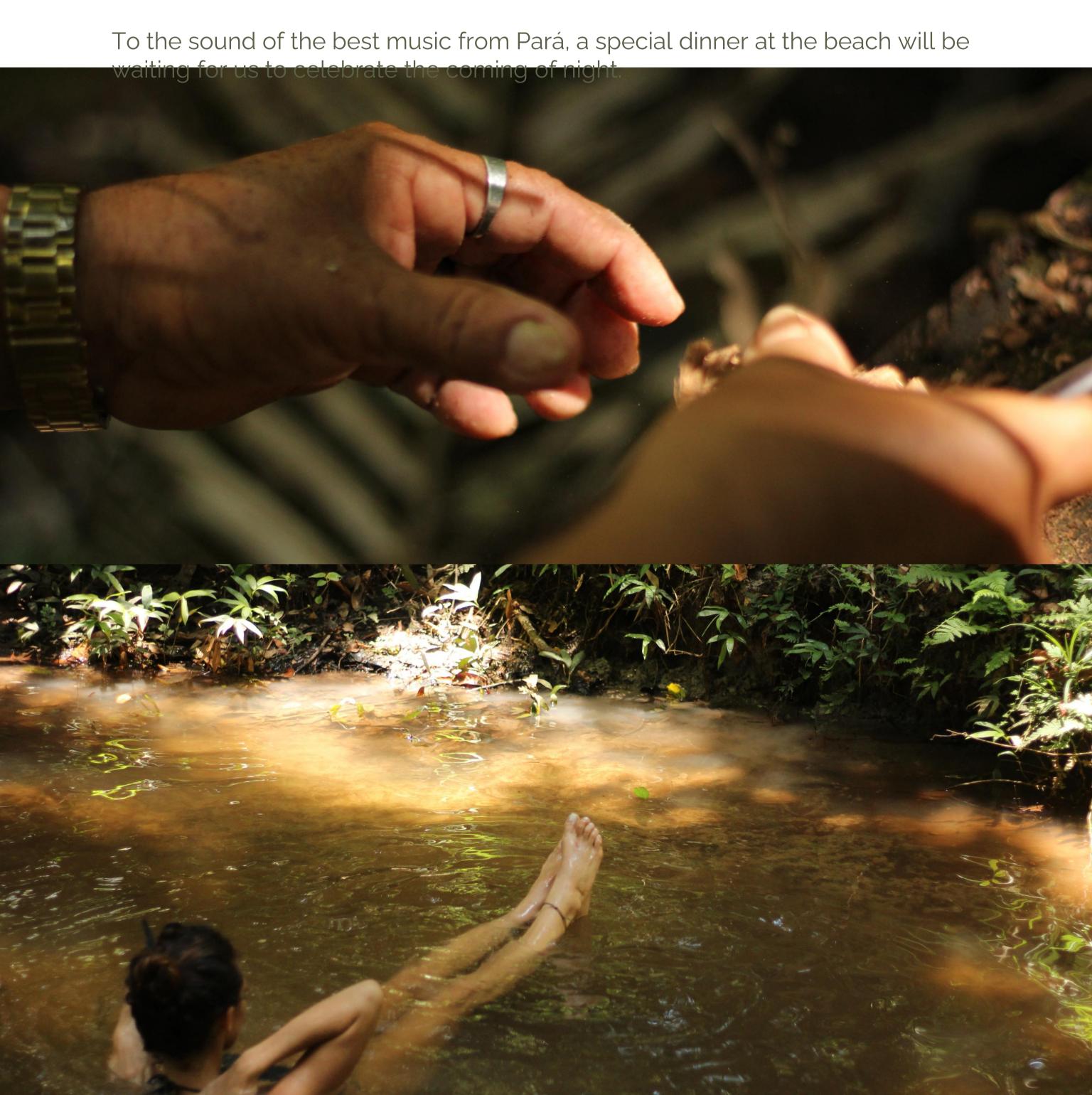
## THE HEALING POWER OF THE FOREST, A REFRESHING BATH IN THE CREEK AFTER HIKING, AND RELAXING ON GORGEOUS BEACHES ON THE ARAPIUNS RIVER

Waking up every day to a different dazzling view of the Amazon - that is one of the delights of sailing with us. With the boat moored off a small white sand beach in front of Atodi Village, we will depart for an immersion in the primeval forest, guided by its guardians. A female chief, a medicine woman, and other women take the lead in this community and will guide us along the trail in the forest while telling us stories and sharing their knowledge.

The topic of the day is forest medicine, which will be presented to us along the hike and then we will see a demonstration of how plants and barks are used in the preparation of medicines.

The trail ends at a beautiful *igarapé* (small river creek) of crystal-clear waters. We will return to the boat to rest, have lunch, and have free time to enjoy a bath in the river.

At the end of the day, we will take a canoe ride in the Atodi lagoon.



## TWO COMMUNITIES, COUNTLESS STORIES: THE MILLENNIAL TRADITION OF FLOUR PRODUCTION, RECOVERY OF TURTLE SPECIES, AND ORIGINAL HANDICRAFT

After breakfast we will enrich our knowledge of the Amazon by visiting a typical casa de farinha (flourmill), where we are invited by the São Marcos community to watch the process of making cassava products – a staple food for forest peoples.

We will then return to relax and enjoy one of the most beautiful beaches of the entire Amazon. Our crew will be ready to prepare caipirinhas with local fruits, serve irresistible, traditional snacks, or hang a hammock under the shade of a tree for you.

In the late afternoon, we will meet the Coroca community, another important village in the region. We will visit the turtle lagoon and the nursery of the turtle recovery project and take a break at the beautiful shop of high-quality, original handicrafts made by the community. We will have a real lesson on the importance of sustainable tourism for the preservation of wildlife and all the people who live off the forest.

In the evening, our crew will prepare another special dinner.



## GIANT KAPOK TREES IN THE TAPAJÓS NATIONAL FOREST AND CANOEING UNDER THE STARS

We will sail overnight to wake up in the Tapajós National Forest, an important nature reserve with over 500,000 hectares (1,930 square miles). We will moor in front of the Jamaraquá community, surrounded by pristine nature, and if the group feels like it, we will take a long hike through the primary forest to reach the famous giant kapok tree (samaúma) and venture into one of the most beautiful creeks in the Amazon.

Nicknamed the "grandma of the forest" because the tree is about 600 years old according to expert calculations, this Amazon giant is extremely generous. Its long branches and dense canopy provide a home and support for several species of plants, birds, and other animals. The hike can be shortened, according to the group's preference.

After revering this majestic forest, we will return to the boat to relax on the beach and wait for an evening canoe ride to observe the stars and nocturnal animals.



## DAY 5

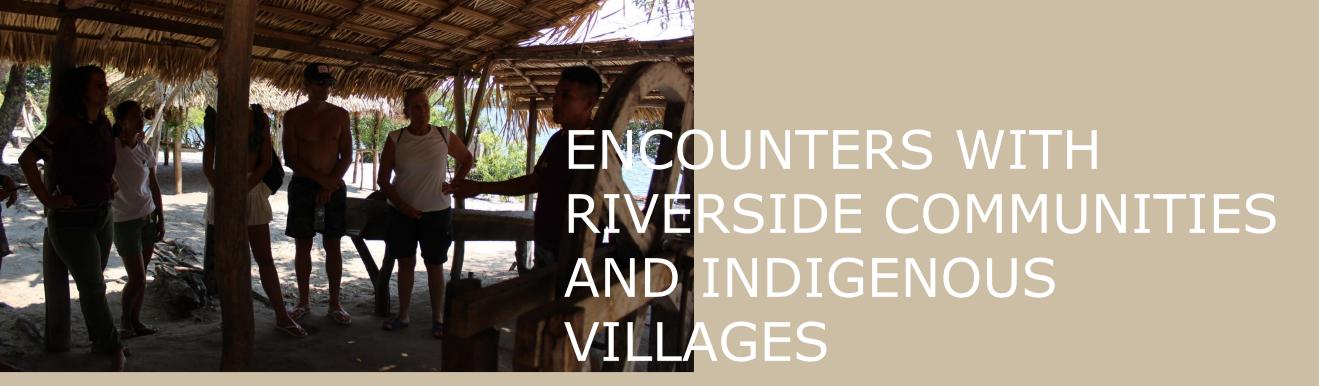
## DISEMBARKATION AMAZONIAN SUNRISE AND FAREWELL DIVE

One of the most magical moments of the trip is the Amazonian dawn, the coming of the sun creates a true festival of colors in the sky and in the reflection on the waters. We recommend getting up earlier so as not to miss this show! To enjoy the last freshwater beach, we will make a stop on the banks of the Tapajós before arriving in Alter do Chão.

We will disembark on or before 12 noon, according to your flight schedule. Our team will take the group by private transfer to the Airport of Santarém.







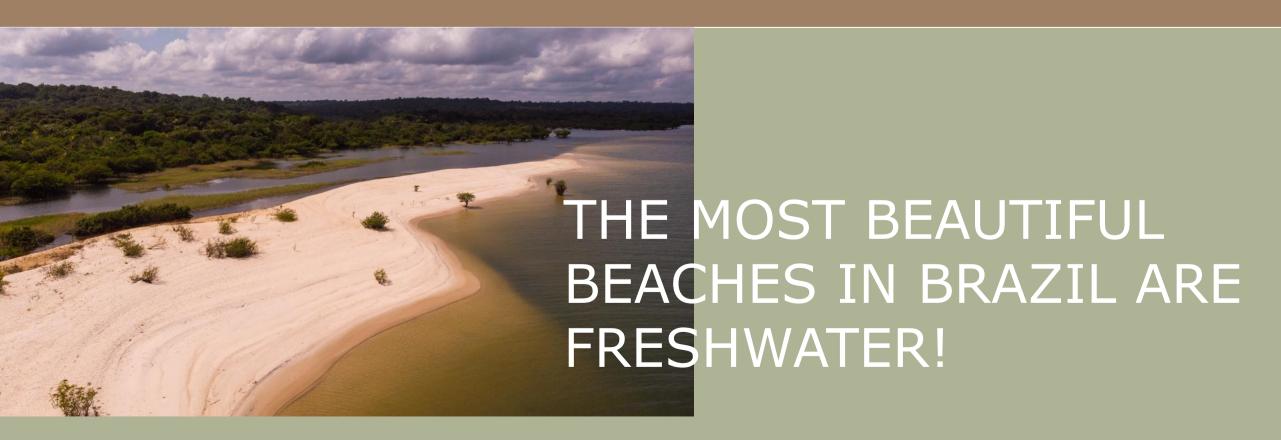
No one better than the people who live in the forest to show us the beauties of nature around them, the richness of their cultures, and the wisdom of the forest, passed down by the ancients and revived in each new generation. The riverside communities we will visit on the trip have from 50 to 400 inhabitants. Each day, our hosts will enrich our knowledge of the Amazon by sharing their experiences and practices: fish farming, production of cassava flour and honey, forest medicine, local cuisine, handicraft techniques, endangered species recovery projects, and hiking in their territory for us to admire wildlife.



Feeling connected and part of the largest biodiversity reserve on the planet is to awaken awareness of the size and power of the Amazon rainforest and our place in the world. Hikes through secondary and primary forests, guided by the trained eyes of our community and village hosts, are rare opportunities to learn about the role of every living thing in this immense ecosystem and appreciate the fascinating forest universe. Hikes last from 1 to 5 hours and are tailored to the group's profile.



In general, the Amazon is not the ideal destination to spot animals. But some forest characters make a point of welcoming our travelers, such as pink river dolphins, tucuxis (grey dolphins), sloths, monkeys, and numerous species of birds.



When rivers are low, from July to March, beaches and sand paths are revealed, forming small freshwater paradises.

We have selected the best landscapes for memorable dives during the trip.



*Igapó* is flooded forest during the high water season. A fantastic immersive experience that allows us to glide by in canoes and enter this ecosystem, almost reaching the treetops.

*Igarapé* is a creek flowing through the forest, formed by spring waters, always at a refreshing temperature. Gifts from nature to those who deserve to recharge their bodies from the hike and feast their eyes with a magical scenery hidden deep in the forest.

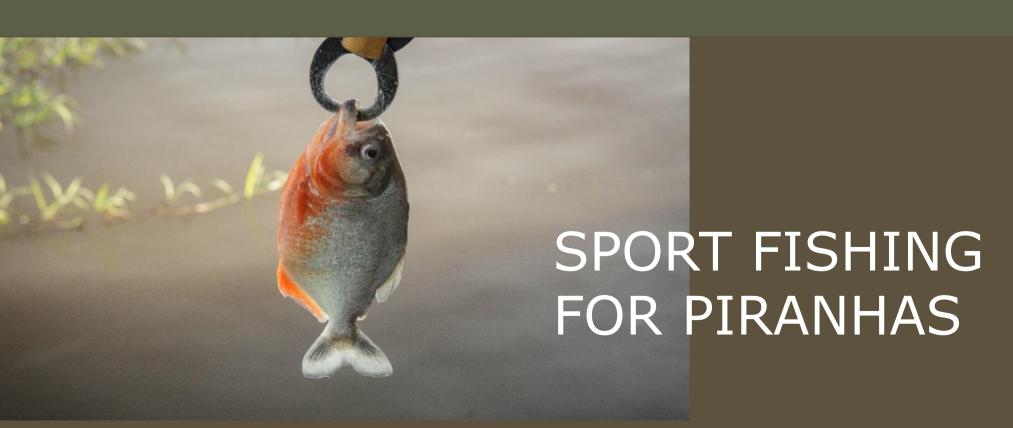


The dining experience during our trip is off the charts. Amazonian flavors can be tasted throughout the day, from delicacies at breakfast on board, appetizers served on the beach, to a variety of fish and regional recipes prepared for lunch, special dinners, and the famous *piracaia* (barbecue). The local fruits used in drinks or as an ice cream will conquer your taste buds. If you have any dietary restrictions or preferences, we can make adjustments to the menu.



You will learn a popular technique in this region for making handicrafts of straw from the tucumã palm tree, native to the Amazon. Artisans create a wide variety of pieces through the dyeing process. Impossible to resist such a special souvenir.

Wood carvings in the shapes of local animals, bead necklaces, and earrings can also find space in your luggage.



For those interested in sport fishing, we can include it in the itinerary, in areas where fishing for piranhas is permitted. A condition for this activity is to release the fish as soon as possible:)

## WHO WILL LOVE THIS TRIP:

Travelers of all ages who enjoy contact with nature and have the desire to delve deeper into the Amazon with great comfort and safety.

## IS THE ITINERARY TOO FAST-PACED?

What if there are children or older people in the group?

The itinerary is designed to provide the best activities in this region of the Amazon interspersed with moments of relaxation. But because it is an exclusive trip, the timing and number of experiences on the itinerary are adapted to the specific profile of each group.

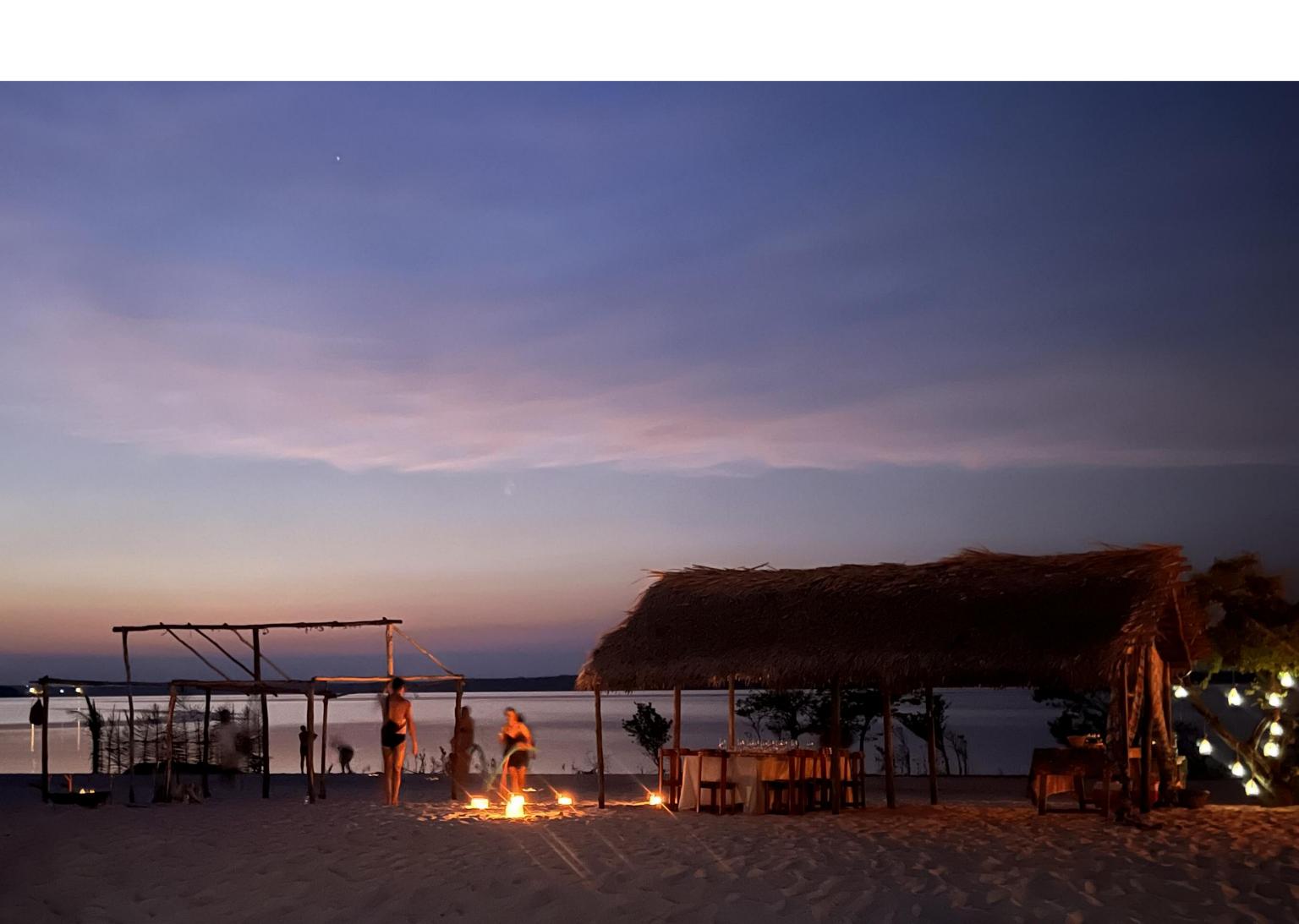
### WHEN IS THE BEST TIME TO ENJOY THIS TRIP?

Anytime! Have you ever heard that you never step in the same river twice? The waters of the Amazon are constantly changing the landscapes, making your experience unique.

In the dry season (July to December), the beaches steal our gaze. In the flood season, it is possible to canoe through the flooded forest and reach the treetops, an experience far beyond the ordinary.

The temperature is warm all year round, and a constant pleasant breeze blows while sailing.

The rainy season is in the first half of the year. Rains are usually heavy but short-lived and do not disturb our trip. The second half of the year is the dry season, when rains are less frequent.



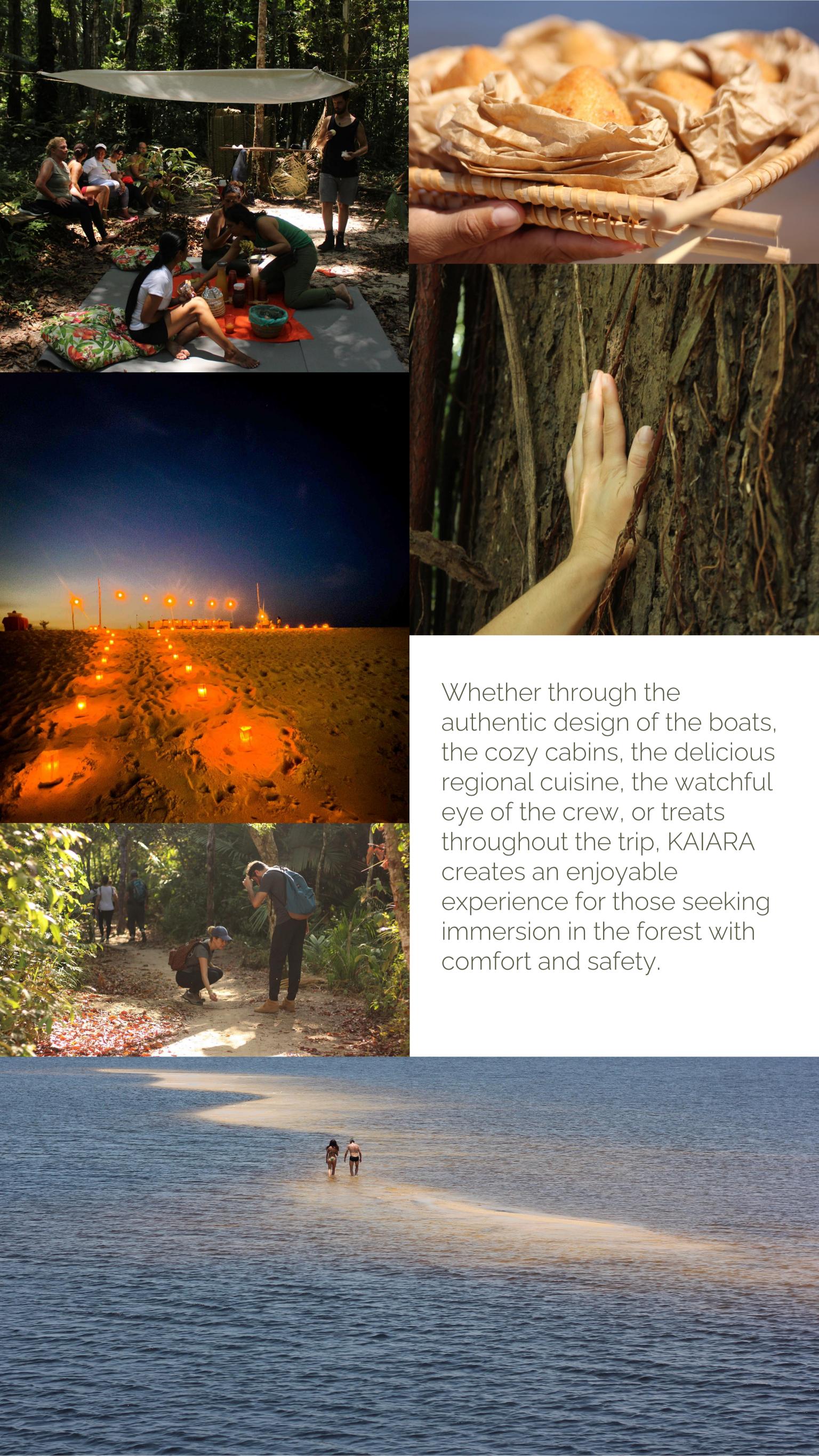
## COMPARE KAIARA'S EXCLUSIVE ITINERARIES AND CHOOSE THE BEST FOR YOUR GROUP:

The **AMAZONIAN WATERS** itinerary (5 days and 4 nights) includes all the experiences on the **ESSENTIAL ENCOUNTER** itinerary plus a day to explore the Tapajós National Forest, with its giant kapok trees, and an evening canoe ride through the flooded forest.

#### **HAVE AN EXTRA DAY?**

In the **DEEP IMMERSION** itinerary, you will participate in a ritual of the Munduruku indigenous people and experience the daily life in the village, including workshops on body painting, bow and arrow making, and archery practice.

	ESSENTIAL ENCOUNTER 4 days and 3 nights	AMAZONIAN WATERS 5 days and 4 nights	DEEP IMMERSION 6 days and 5 nights
COMMUNITIES AND VILLAGES ON THE ARAPIUNS RIVER			
AMAZON RIVER FAUNA			
STRAW HANDICRAFT			
BEACHES AND PIRACAIA			
TAPAJÓS RIVER   ALTER DO CHÃO			
TAPAJÓS NATIONAL FOREST			
RUBBER HANDICRAFT			
TRAIL OF THE GIANT KAPOK TREES	5		
EVENING CANOEING  EVENING RITUAL -			
MUNDURUKU INDIGENOUS VILLAC	GE		
BOW AND ARROW MAKING - MUNDURUKU INDIGENOUS VILLAGE			
BODY PAINTING - MUNDURUKU INDIGENOUS VILLAGE			





## DISCOVER THE KAIARA

This itinerary is for private charter only. According to the number of passengers, we recommend one or more boats in our fleet to accommodate your family and group of friends.



5 cabins up to 10 guests



8 cabins up to 16 guests



## AMAZON DOLPHIN



11 cabins up to 22 guests



## To relax and admire nature:

## COMFORT

Accommodation in charming cabins with double beds or bunk beds;

High-quality linen service;

Air conditioning in all cabins and indoor areas of the boat;

Daily cleaning and maid service in the cabins;

Service and convenience at the stops, such as tents, mats, sarongs, towels, cooler boxes, chairs, and tables.

To enjoy unique experiences in secluded paradises:

## PRIVACY AND EXCLUSIVITY

Cabins and private bathrooms;

Amenities and common areas of the boat such as sundecks, balconies, or living rooms, ideal for enjoying both quieter moments of contemplation and pleasant get-togethers with family and friends on board;

Tailor made activities throughout the trip, exclusive to KAIARA travelers;

Productions on board and on the beaches to provide lovely surprises.

To ensure your peace of mind:

## SAFETY ON BOARD

All KAIARA vessels are registered with the Brazilian Navy;

Our crew has extensive experience and knowledge of traveling the local rivers. In addition, many crew members are long-standing partners of ours;

We always travel with support motorboats and safety and communication devices.

## WHAT IS ON US:

Ground transfers

Accommodation on one of our boats.

Meals as described in the day-to-day itinerary.

Activities and excursions, including support motorboat and community and visitation fees;

Beverages on board: mineral water, juices, soft drinks, beers, and caipirinhas;

Crew including captain, sailors, cook and assistant, cleaning team, and hostess

Travel insurance

## WHAT IS NOT INCLUDED:

Airline tickets;

Optional tips for crew and activity guides.

## PAYMENT METHOD:

In installments by bank transfer: 50% deposit + 50% due up to 30 days before departure or 60 days for bookings for the period from Dec. 20 to Jan. 10.

The booking is not confirmed until the deposit is received.

## CANCELLATION POLICY:

Cancellation up to 90 days before the departure date: a 10% charge over the total trip cost will be levied

Cancellation from 89 to 46 days before the departure date: 30% of the total trip cost will be retained.

Cancellation from 45 to 22 days before departure: 50% of the total trip cost will be retained.

Cancellation 21 days or less before departure: an 80% of the total trip cost will be retained..

For all bookings for the period from December 20 to January 10 and for Carnival week, the cancellation fee will be 100% of the amount paid.





