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# PURE AMAZON

*Amazon Basin, Peru*





# RIVER OF DREAMS

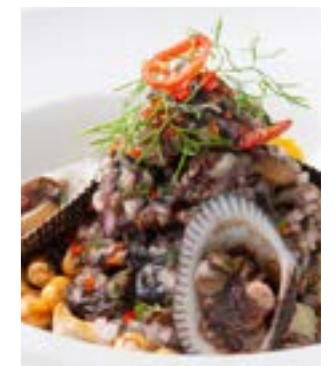
Launching in 2025, Pure Amazon is our first riverboat in Peru, operating on the Marañón and Ucayali rivers, near where the Amazon itself starts. This state-of-the-art riverboat offers three-, four- and seven-night itineraries exploring the Pacaya-Samiria National Reserve, a 21,000-square-kilometre showcase of exceptional natural beauty in the remote north of the country.

Brilliantly knowledgeable on-board experts and guides lead immersive experiences both on the water and, seasonal conditions permitting, in the forest, wildlife-spotting and interacting with local communities.

Pure Amazon has 12 exceptionally elegant, architect-designed suites and cabins, a superb indoor-outdoor restaurant serving local and international dishes, Jacuzzi, Sun Deck, and a wellness space. A maximum of 22 passengers per cruise and a staff-to-guest ratio of one-to-one guarantee an intimate, highly focused and personalised experience, in which every detail is managed by a best-in-class local team.



*Pure Amazon restaurant*



*Peruvian black shell ceviche*



*Pure Amazon bathroom*

## THE MOST ELEGANT RIVERBOAT IN THE AMAZON

The Amazon Basin is one of the greatest remaining wildernesses on earth, a remote and extraordinarily biodiverse landscape that, even now, few travellers have had the opportunity to see with their own eyes. There's really only one way to explore it: by boat. And there's only one way to explore it in the highest of high style: aboard Pure Amazon.



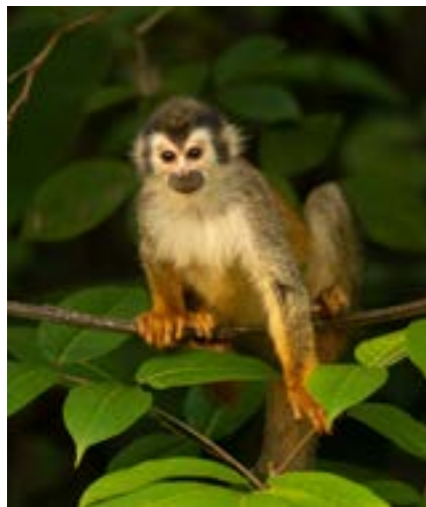
# SEVEN GREAT REASONS TO SAIL ON PURE AMAZON



*A jungle village by Marañon River*

1

A once-in-a-lifetime voyage into one of the world's most extraordinary natural landscapes



*Squirrel monkey*

2

Expert guides offer outstanding opportunities for wildlife-spotting and cultural discovery



*Pure Amazon suite view*

3

Just 12 chic suites and cabins with impeccable contemporary design inspired by the region and panoramic windows for ever-changing views



*Authentic Peruvian cuisine*

5

A maximum of 22 guests and a staff-to-guest ratio of one-to-one

4

Exceptional dining options, including international, Peruvian and Amazonian cuisine

6

Choice of three-, four- and seven-night itineraries

7

Flexibility and customisation of daily activities and experiences



*Guided jungle walk*



## SUITES, CABINS AND FACILITIES

*Pure Amazon has 12 suites and cabins, meticulously designed by renowned architect Adriana Granato:*

- 10 Double Suites, for couples and friends
- 2 Single Cabins, perfect for independent travellers

Four of the 10 Double Suites can be connected, creating two sets of interconnecting suites, ideal for families with children. For those requesting an interconnecting family suite, an additional bed can also be provided should a triple be required (children only).

All suites and cabins are fully air-conditioned and have panoramic windows, minibar and tablets, along with a private bathroom with shower, amenities and hairdryer.

Pure Amazon has an upper Sun Deck (with Jacuzzi), shaded Veranda Lounge bar, gym and spa treatment room. On the promenade deck, Pure Amazon's restaurant can seat up to 26 guests.

## DINING

Breakfast, lunch, afternoon tea and dinner are included in your stay, as well as all alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. Pre-breakfast tea and coffee is available to early risers. Room service is also available on request.

*Meals typically consist of the following:*

- Breakfast: international buffet and à la carte Peruvian
- Lunch: buffet style (international, barbecue and Peruvian)
- Afternoon tea: selection of pastries, cookies and fresh fruit
- Dinner: à la carte or table d'hôte menus
- Alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages included
- Premium wine and spirits list (at an additional cost)
- Open-deck barbecues (weather permitting)

Our expert chefs can cater to specific dietary needs, but advanced notice is kindly requested.



*Pure Amazon suite*

## LOCATION AND GETTING THERE

Pure Amazon departs from Nauta, where the Marañón and Ucayali meet to create the Amazon River in northern Peru. To reach Nauta, guests will fly from Lima to Iquitos, where guests will be transferred to Nauta in an exclusive Pure Amazon vehicle.

*Flying times:*

- Lima to Iquitos – up to 2 hours

*Transfer times:*

- Iquitos to Nauta – 1 hour 45 minutes



*Iquitos, Peru*

## FLORA AND FAUNA

Pure Amazon operates in and around the Pacaya-Samiria National Reserve, Peru's largest protected area – 21,000 square kilometres, about the size of Vermont or Wales – and a place of quite exceptional beauty and biodiversity. Even in the broader context of the Amazon Basin as a whole, it is renowned as a hotspot of flora and fauna.

Expert-led excursions on motorised skiffs take place twice a day, morning and evening, safari-style. Depending on the season, river jaunts may be interspersed with forays on foot into the rainforest or visits to small villages of *ribereños*, the local river-dwellers. June to November is low-water season. Birders and wildlife lovers will not wish to miss the opportunity to venture into the habitat of some of the rarest and most iconic species on earth. Eyes peeled for the rufescent tiger heron, white-chinned jacamar, saddle-backed tamarin, three-toed sloth... In high-water season, from December to May, the Amazon and its tributaries the Marañón and Ucayali flood, and most of the Pacaya-Samiria reserve is submerged. Though this may sound limiting, and in a literal sense is limiting, in fact it also opens up a perspective on the entire land- and riverscape that is nothing less than enchanted.

Note that wildlife sightings are of course subject to time of day, conditions, seasons, migratory patterns and luck.



*Brown-throated sloth*



# 3-NIGHT ITINERARY

## DAY 1: IQUITOS – EMBARKATION

*Arrival and embarkation:* Begin your adventure in the provincial capital, Iquitos, where you'll be met and escorted via an exclusive Pure Amazon transfer to the town of Nauta, our embarkation point close to where the Marañón and Ucayali rivers meet to create the Amazon river. Here you'll board Pure Amazon and settle into your gorgeously designed suite or cabin, with panoramic windows that frame the stunning beauty of your surroundings.

*Welcome reception and dinner:* After settling in, enjoy a sunset cocktail on the Sun Deck, followed by a gourmet dinner prepared by Pure Amazon's award-winning chef. The evening concludes with an insightful introduction to the region by your expert guides, setting the tone for the days ahead.



Pure Amazon suite



Guided jungle walk

## DAY 2: EXPLORING THE PACAYA-SAMIRIA NATIONAL RESERVE

*Morning excursions:* Before breakfast, embark on an early birding excursion. Depending on the time of year, you can choose between a guided jungle walk to discover the rich flora and fauna of the rainforest or a serene kayaking journey along one of the river's atmospheric tributaries. Alternatively, just stay put and enjoy some downtime, a spa treatment and five-star service on board.

*Afternoon tea and exploration:* Return to the riverboat for lunch, then embark on another skiff adventure, perhaps opting for a fishing expedition or an intimate encounter with the diverse birdlife of the rainforest.

*Peruvian dinner party and stargazing:* As evening falls, savour a Peruvian-themed dinner featuring local delicacies. The night concludes with a hosted stargazing session beneath a (hopefully!) crystalline night sky.



Pure Amazon Veranda Lounge





Pure Amazon jungle lounge

### DAY 3: WILDLIFE AND CULTURAL IMMERSION

*Morning safari-style excursions:* Start your day bright and early with a dawn birding safari. Alternatively, enjoy a slower start before setting off for a guided visit to a local riverside village – an excellent way to gain direct insight into the way of life of the *riberieños* who live in and around the Pacaya-Samiria National Reserve.

*Afternoon cooking class:* After lunch, join our chefs for a hands-on cooking class, learning to prepare Amazonian dishes using fresh, local ingredients. For guests wishing to explore, additional excursion activities off the boat will be available.

*Evening entertainment:* As the day winds down, enjoy an evening entertainment and stories from the heart of the Amazon Basin.



Blue-and-yellow macaw



Early morning birding safari

### DAY 4: FINAL ENCOUNTERS

*Disembarkation:* After breakfast, disembark at Nauta, where you will be transferred back to Iquitos, with a stop at the Bélen Market, cultural museum and a café for light refreshments before heading to the airport.

Reflect on the unique experiences and breathtaking sights of your journey as you prepare to return home, carrying with you the memories of an extraordinary adventure in the Amazon Basin.

Please note: entertainment, skiff excursions and sailing times are subject to change.

# 4-NIGHT ITINERARY

## DAY 1: IQUITOS – EMBARKATION

*Arrival and embarkation:* Begin your adventure in the provincial capital, Iquitos, where you'll be met and escorted via an exclusive Pure Amazon transfer to the town of Nauta, the embarkation point will be close to where the Marañón and Ucayali rivers meet to create the Amazon River. Here you'll board Pure Amazon and settle into your gorgeously designed suite or cabin, with panoramic windows that frame the stunning beauty of your surroundings.

*Welcome reception and dinner:* After settling in, enjoy a sunset cocktail on the Sun Deck, followed by a gourmet dinner prepared by Pure Amazon's chef. The evening concludes with an insightful introduction to the region by your expert guides, setting the tone for the days ahead.



Marañón River



Excursions into the jungle

## DAY 2: EXPLORING THE PACAYA-SAMIRIA NATIONAL RESERVE

*Morning excursions:* Embark on your first early birding excursion before breakfast. Depending on the time of year, you can choose between a guided jungle walk to discover the rich flora and fauna of the rainforest or a serene kayaking journey along one of the river's atmospheric tributaries. Alternatively, just stay put and enjoy some downtime, a spa treatment and five-star service on board.

*Afternoon tea and exploration:* Return to the riverboat for lunch, then embark on another skiff adventure, perhaps opting for a fishing expedition or an intimate encounter with the diverse birdlife of the rainforest.

*Peruvian dinner party and stargazing:* As evening falls, savour a Peruvian-themed dinner featuring local delicacies. The night concludes with a hosted stargazing session beneath a (hopefully!) crystalline night sky.



### DAY 3: WILDLIFE AND CULTURAL IMMERSION

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*Pure Amazon spa treatment*



*Catch-and-release fishing*



*Authentic Peruvian flavours*

### DAY 4: SCENIC CRUISING AND LEISURE

*Relaxation and wellness:* After a week of intense exploration, indulge your weary muscles with a spa treatment or a long soak in the Jacuzzi. Alternatively, continue your adventuring with optional morning and afternoon excursions.

*Scenic cruising:* Spend the afternoon at leisure, with either off-boat excursions or enjoying the on board amenities and savouring the splendour, sights and sounds of your surroundings.

*Sunset cocktails and dinner:* Conclude the day with cocktails on the Sun Deck followed by a gourmet dinner, as you savour the final moments of your Amazonian journey.

### DAY 5: FINAL ENCOUNTERS

*Disembarkation:* After breakfast, disembark at Nauta, where you will be transferred back to Iquitos, with a stop at the Bélen Market, cultural museum and a café for light refreshments before heading to the airport.

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*Sunset on the river*



*Pure Amazon restaurant*



**7-NIGHT PURE AMAZON RIVER CRUISE**

For guests seeking the ultimate Amazon experience, our seven-night itinerary offers deep cultural immersion, maximising the opportunity for wildlife sightings.

Note the seven-night cruise will operate along the Marañón and Ucayali rivers. During low-water season, the vessel will also travel along the Amazon River. For detailed itineraries, visit the Pure Amazon property page.

Pure Amazon's expert guides will accompany you throughout your trip. Excursions, activities and entertainment schedules may be adjusted according to the needs of guests and seasonal sailing schedules.

**ALSO AVAILABLE FOR PRIVATE CHARTER**

For larger groups of families travelling together, Pure Amazon also offers three-, four- and seven-night charters.

Our expert guides will accompany you throughout your trip. Excursions, activities and entertainment schedules may be adjusted according to the needs of guests and seasonal sailing schedules.



*Pure Amazon Map Room*

**HONEYMOONS, ANNIVERSARIES AND SPECIAL OCCASIONS**

The crew of Pure Amazon is of course delighted to help guests celebrate personal milestones of all kinds during their cruise. Please note that advance notice may be required and in certain cases additional costs may be incurred.

*Pure Amazon couples treatment*

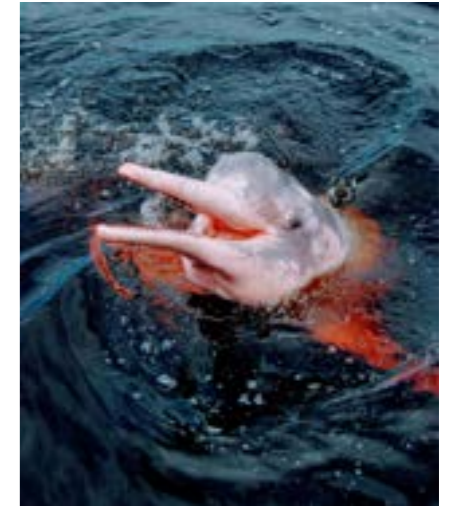


**INCLUSIONS**

- Meet and greet by a Pure Amazon representative at Iquitos airport
- Exclusive return transfer for Pure Amazon guests from Iquitos to Nauta
- Guided shore excursions at least twice daily, briefings and enrichment lectures
- Three skiffs for exploration of the Amazon Basin
- All meals
- Beverages, alcoholic and non-alcoholic (premium items at additional charge)
- Bed-night levy
- Pacaya-Samaria National Reserve entrance fees
- Taxes and VAT
- Emergency medical evacuation
- Laundry
- Complimentary Starlink Wi-Fi

**EXCLUSIONS**

- International and domestic flights
- Road transfers to and from other camps, lodges and cruises
- Travel insurance
- Alcohol purchases made from our premium list
- Cigar purchases made from our premium list
- Boutique purchases, spa treatments, gratuities and all other items of a personal nature



*Pink dolphin*



**FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN**

Pure Amazon welcomes children aged six years and over. Children aged 17 years and younger are required to share their cabin with an adult.

Pure Amazon offers inter-connecting suites and triple accommodation for families traveling together (subject to availability).

Children's menus are available at mealtimes.

*Motorised skiff*



**HEALTH**

Please seek advice from a medical professional prior to travel for recommended vaccinations and considerations.

**MONEY AND CREDIT CARDS**

All extras can be paid for with Visa and MasterCard.

US dollars, British pounds, euros and Peruvian sol are also accepted; change will be given in the local currency.

Diners Club and American Express cards are not accepted.

**TIPPING GUIDELINES**

Tipping is not mandatory and is at guests' discretion.



*Red-backed frog*

**WHAT TO PACK**

Clothing should be cool and comfortable. For excursions, neutral tones are best: khaki, green, brown and beige, in lightweight, breathable fabrics (cotton or moisture-wicking material). Evening dress on board Pure Amazon is smart-casual. Formalwear is not required but shorts and T-shirts are not permitted at dinner.

*Among the most practical items to pack are:*

- Long-sleeved shirts and long trousers
- Short-sleeved shirts and shorts
- Sandals or flip-flops
- Sun hat and sunglasses
- Swimsuit
- Cameras, chargers

Note that ponchos, rubber boots, binoculars, sunblock and insect repellent will be provided for guided walks.

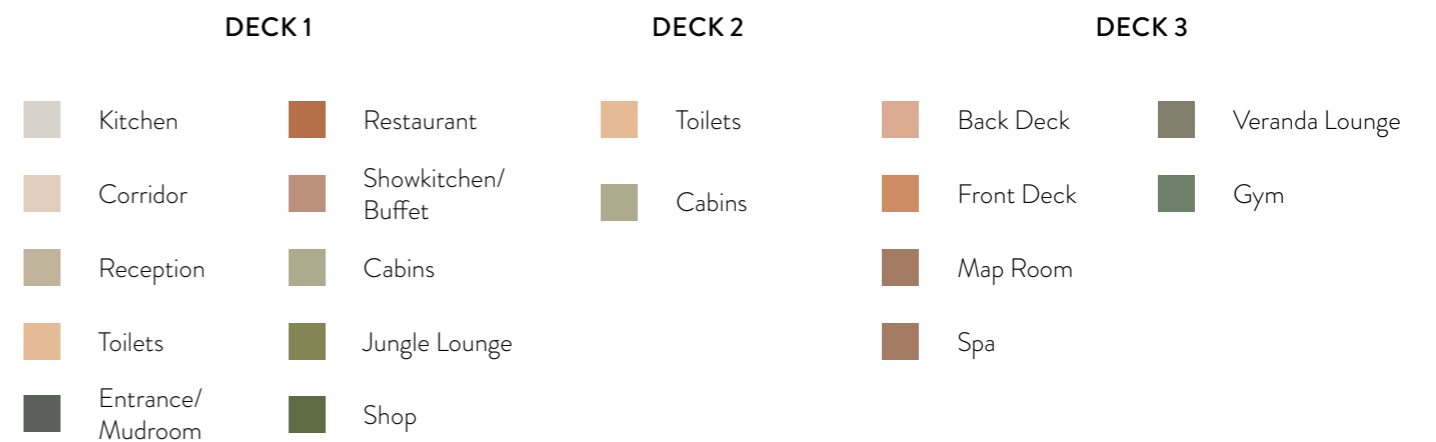
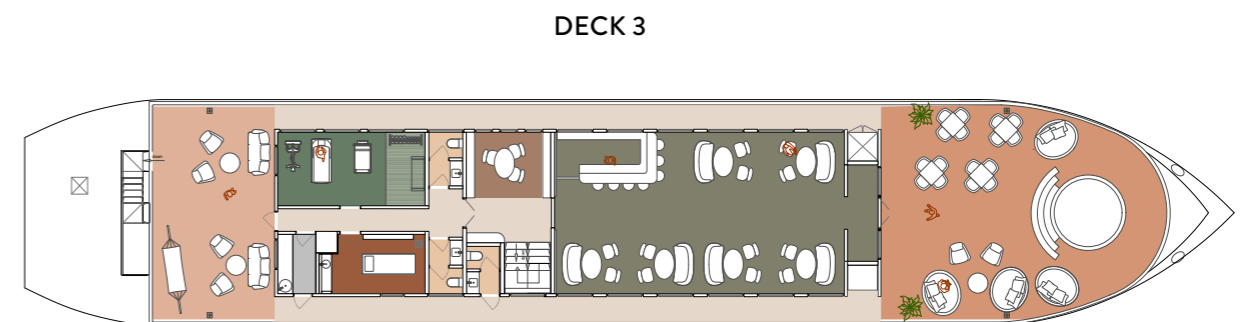
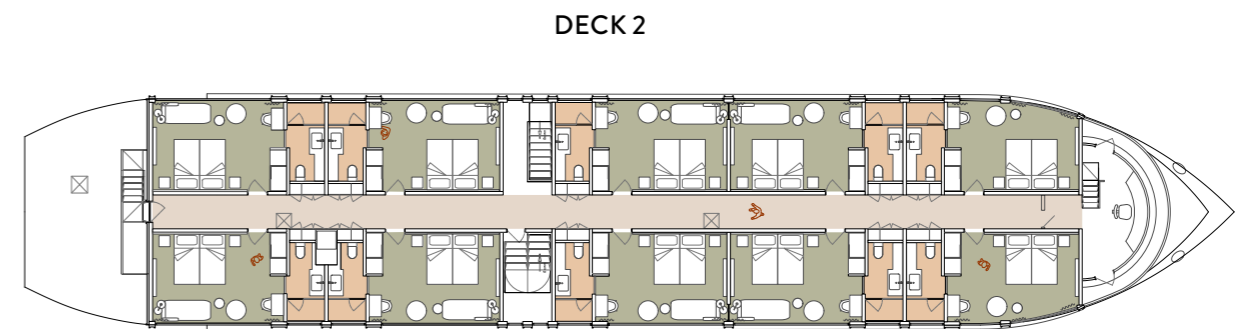
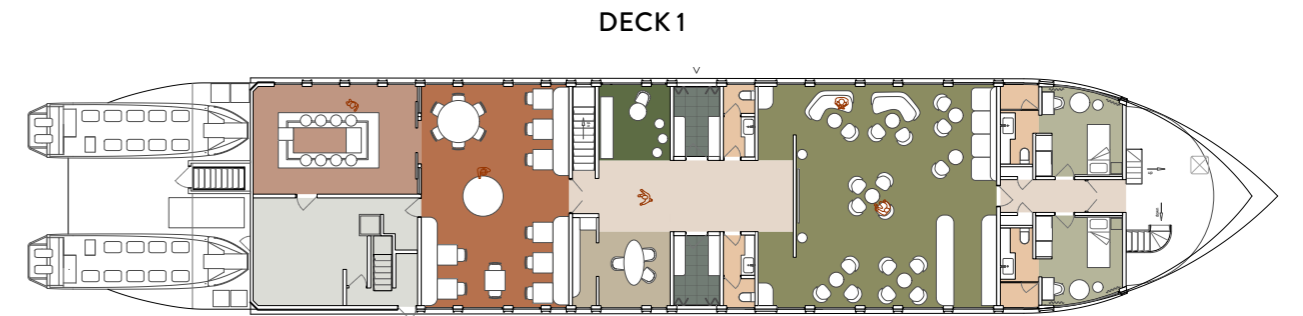
Pure Amazon will also have outdoor lockers for guests to store their excursion equipment. Binoculars can also be stored here so as not to fog up when leaving air-conditioned areas.



*Pure Amazon lockers*

**PURE AMAZON DECK PLAN**

Note that suites are convertible and can be configured as a double or twin.





## OUR STORY

Sanctuary Retreats was born in Africa with the launch of our first luxury safari lodge, Olonana, in Kenya, in 1999. Today, the Sanctuary Retreats portfolio includes not only safari lodges throughout Africa but also boutique riverboats in Egypt and Peru. Our standards, however, remain the same. We promise adventure, enchantment and “Luxury, naturally”, all delivered with a quiet, understated charm and a deep understanding of place.

## JOIN US IN CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF EXTRAORDINARY TRAVEL



*Gorilla Forest Lodge | Bwindi Impenetrable Forest, Uganda, reopening mid-2025*

## RESERVATIONS AND MORE INFORMATION

Please contact your travel advisor or our Pure Amazon team at [reservations.peru@sanctuaryretreats.com](mailto:reservations.peru@sanctuaryretreats.com) or visit [sanctuaryretreats.com](http://sanctuaryretreats.com).  
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