

MANAKIN

AMAZON RIVERBOAT EXPEDITIONS



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Overview



A stylish, immersive way to explore the Amazon with minimal impact on the delicate rainforest environment

Perfect for couples, families, or small groups, the Manakin can be chartered for an intimate and personalized experience—or you can join one of our scheduled departures. Choose from our suggested itineraries, or let us craft a unique journey tailored to your interests and travel style.

The name Manakin honors a remarkable bird celebrated for its boldness and charisma. It symbolizes courage and self-expression, inspiring us to embrace our individuality and confidently share our gifts with the world.

Our panoramic suites have been thoughtfully redesigned to elevate your experience, blending elegant finishes and natural textures with wide-angle views of the forest and river. The result is a seamless harmony between rustic charm and modern comfort—an atmosphere where adventure and relaxation coexist beautifully.

Onboard the Manakin, every detail is curated to awaken the senses and deepen your connection with the Amazon.

Operational season: All Year Round

Manakin Riverboat

Highlights



Sustainable Design

Thoughtfully crafted to minimize environmental impact, the Manakin Riverboat embraces eco-friendly practices while offering comfort in the heart of the Amazon. It perfectly blends style and functionality, allowing guests to immerse themselves in the breathtaking surroundings.



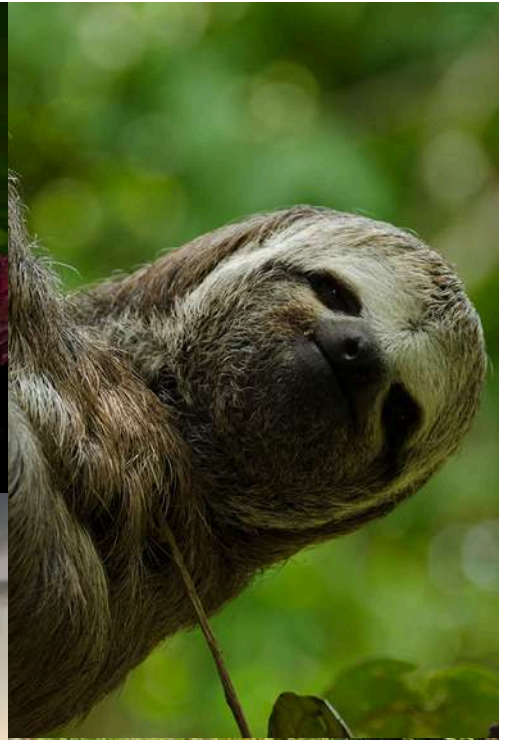
Expanded Wildlife Observation

With new equipment and more observation points, guests can now enjoy even better access to the Amazon's extraordinary biodiversity. Our expert naturalist guides are available throughout the journey to help you spot rare birds, monkeys, reptiles, and more—with minimal disturbance to the environment.



Locally-Inspired Dishes

Our culinary team has created new recipes using Amazonian ingredients like tucupi, jambu, and native fruits. Expect fresh, creative dishes that reflect the spirit of the rainforest—both nourishing and unforgettable.



Activities

Aboard our Manakin Riverboat on the Rio Negro, guests immerse themselves in the breathtaking beauty and biodiversity of the Amazon. Expert-led excursions include wildlife watching, canoe and speedboat rides through hidden waterways, jungle treks, and nature walks.

Connect with indigenous culture through visits to local communities, enjoy early-morning birdwatching, night walks with glowing fungi, and fishing adventures. Swim in the calm waters, unwind with sunset views and stargazing, and delight in Amazonian cuisine crafted by our onboard chefs. Balancing adventure and relaxation, each journey offers a deep connection to the Amazon's natural and cultural richness.



Life Aboard

Life aboard the Manakin is a harmonious blend of comfort, discovery, and deep connection with the Amazon. Each day unfolds at a gentle rhythm, beginning with the calls of birds and the glow of sunrise over the Rio Negro. Guided excursions take guests by canoe into hidden igarapés, by speedboat to remote regions rich in wildlife, and on foot to visit stunning natural sites and riverside communities—offering authentic encounters with both nature and culture.

Back on board, the atmosphere is intimate and serene. The spacious suites with panoramic views invite rest and contemplation, while the open living areas and verandas create the perfect setting for conversation, reading, or simply watching the forest drift by. Guests enjoy regional cuisine prepared by our onboard chef, refreshing outdoor showers, and quiet moments under the stars.



Accommodation

The Panoramic Suite (Cabin 1) offers floor-to-ceiling 180° views and accommodates two guests—ideal for couples seeking a breathtaking riverfront retreat. Cabin 2 also accommodates two guests with a double bed, perfect for solo travelers or couples. Cabins 3 and 4 are flexible, hosting up to four guests with options for double, twin, or bunk beds—ideal for families or small groups.

All suites are fully air-conditioned, crafted with warm hardwood interiors, and equipped with solar-powered 110V outlets, premium bedding, eco-friendly amenities, Nespresso machine, hand Starlink high-speed internet. Aboard the Manakin, each detail is thoughtfully designed to blend refined comfort with the beauty of the Amazon.



Culinary

The gastronomy aboard the Manakin Riverboat is a celebration of Amazonian flavors and culinary artistry. Guests are treated to a dining experience that showcases local ingredients, expertly crafted into traditional and modern dishes by skilled onboard chefs. From freshly caught fish and tropical fruits to unique regional spices, each meal is thoughtfully prepared to provide an authentic taste of the Amazon. Dining options range from multi-course meals to casual outdoor barbecues, all paired with refreshing local beverages and fine wines. Whether indulging in a special dinner or a relaxed fish barbecue by the water, the culinary journey aboard the Manakin Riverboat complements the adventure, offering guests a delicious way to connect with the culture and bounty of the region. We offer vegan, vegetarian, and kosher menu options.

Manakin Riverboat

5-Day Itinerary

Anavilhanas Archipelago & Jau National Park

Day 1 - Manaus – Embarkation – Rio Negro – Meeting of Waters

Meet your host at 8 AM at your hotel in Manaus, then board the Manakin Riverboat on the Rio Negro. Settle into your suite, meet the crew, and enjoy an Amazonian-inspired welcome cocktail on the top deck while cruising towards the breathtaking Meeting of Waters, with the chance to spot river dolphins along the way.

Savor a delicious lunch onboard, then visit the Museu do Seringal Vila Paraíso, an open-air museum that offers a fascinating glimpse into the Amazon's rubber boom era. End the day with a cultural visit to a local indigenous community, gaining insight into their traditions, crafts, and way of life.

Day 2/3/4 - Upstream Navigation – Cuieiras River – Anavilhanas and Jau National Park

Start the day navigating the Cuieiras River and Anavilhanas Archipelago, followed by a guided jungle walk to explore Amazonian plants and wildlife. After lunch onboard, embark on a wildlife spotting excursion by canoe or speedboat, with chances to see pink river dolphins, macaws, sloths, and the famous Manakin bird at the renowned Jau National Park.

End the day with dinner onboard and an optional night excursion to observe nocturnal wildlife, fully immersing yourself in the magic of the Amazon.

Explore the serene Tumbira Lake, beginning with a visit to a riverine village to connect with the local community and learn about their sustainable way of life. Enjoy an adventurous walking tour through lush trails, followed by a peaceful canoeing experience to observe the lake's vibrant flora and fauna. End every day with a return to the boat and a delightful Amazonian-inspired dinner.

Day 5 - Downstream Navigation – Acajatuba Lake – Manaus – Transfer to the Airport

After breakfast, conclude your journey with a downstream navigation to the scenic Acajatuba Lake. Join a guided photography tour to capture the breathtaking landscapes and unique wildlife of the region.

Enjoy a final lunch onboard as we make our way back to Manaus, where you will be transferred to the airport, bringing your Amazon adventure to a close with unforgettable memories.

