



DELFIN III

4 Night
High water season

ROUTE MAP



DELFIN
CRUISE THE *Amazon*

DELFIN III - 4 NIGHTS

TECHNICAL ITINERARY

HOUR	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5
Summary	Arrival to Iquitos, transfer to Nauta, embarkation	AM: Yanallpa PM: Yanayacu Pucate / Dorado River	AM: Pacaya River PM: Magdalena	AM: Yarapa River PM: Fundo Casual	Disembarkation & Manatee Center and transfer to Iquitos
07:00		Buffet breakfast	Pacaya River: Skiff exploration & swimming with dolphins	Yarapa River: Community visit	Buffet breakfast
08:30		Yanallpa: Belluda Caño Creek			Disembarkation & transfer to Iquitos
10:30		Return to boat	Return to boat	Return to boat	Rescue & Rehabilitation Center: manatees
11:00					Arrive to the airport and farewell
12:00	Arrive to the city of Iquitos				
12:30		Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	
14:00	Arrive at Nauta city, VIP, reception at our private port		Magdalena: Skiff exploration	Fundo Casual: Jungle walk	
15:30	Embarkation				
16:00	Orientation	Dorado River: Skiff excursion & fishing			
17:00			Return to boat	Return to boat	
18:30	Ucayali River: Skiff exploration	Return to boat			
19:00	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Farewell dinner	
19:30			Legends of the Amazon	Puerto Prado: Nature night walk	

NOTES:

*This schedule of activities is subject to change due to weather and river conditions. Please consult with your naturalist guide any last minute changes or questions.

Inclusions on Delfin III: Natural juices, soda, coffee, tea, water, beer, house cocktails, Pisco cocktails & sours, house wines with dinner.

DAY 1

PM:

- Arrive to the Amazon city of Iquitos.
- Embarkation.
- Happy Hour and orientation.



Arrive to the Amazon city of Iquitos:

Our crew will be expecting your arrival at the airport, then transfer all together in our comfortable private vehicle. We will start you off with a lunchbox as we begin the journey to Nauta.

Arrive to Nauta port:

Nauta is a small riverside town on the banks of the Marañon River and was the first city founded in the department of Loreto. Once we reach Nauta, you will enjoy a VIP greeting at our private port along the shores of the Marañon River where the vessel awaits you.

Embarkation:

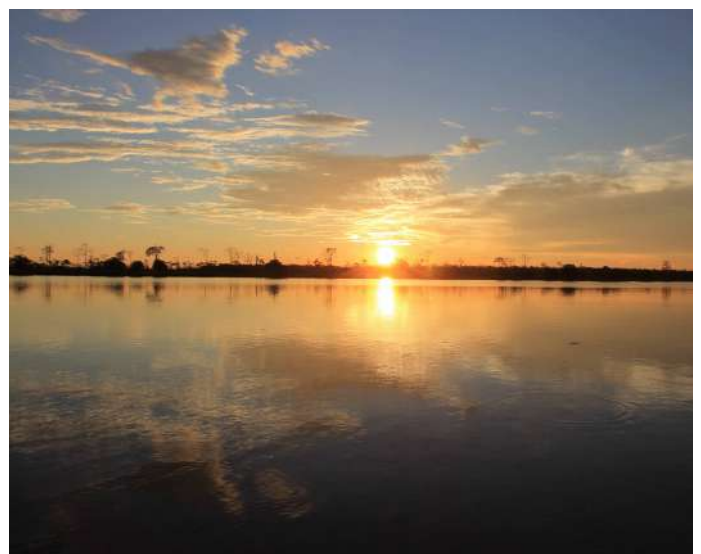
Aboard Delfin, you will be served by our qualified staff who will introduce you to your exquisite and cozy suite, specially equipped with all the amenities for the experienced traveler as yourself. Orthopedic beds, pure cotton sheets, pillows of 100% pure natural latex, cotton bathrobes, air conditioning, and private bathroom with Spanish style hot water showers are all framed with a spacious private terrace we are sure you will enjoy to the fullest.

Happy Hour and orientation:

While the Delfin begins its initial navigation, you will enjoy the most fantastic panoramic views from the elegantly outfitted observation area located on our third deck. Your naturalist guide will give you an overview of your journey's schedule, activities, route, highlights, wildlife and vegetation to keep your eye out for, geographical and historical background, and other useful details.

Ucayali:

We head down into the Marañon River to a location known as Pahuachiro. This lovely spot is an ideal place to spend some time in search of birds and playful monkeys. As your naturalist guide spots various creatures for you, The landscape adorned by the usual colors of the sun's reflections is a great photo opportunity as you witness your first Amazon Rainforest Sunset.



DAY 2

AM:

- Yanallpa.

PM:

- Dorado River.



Yanallpa:

Here in the Amazon Rainforest, we can have dry mornings with beautiful sunrises. This is all we need to have a successful pre-breakfast exploration of the forest! The early morning hours are the best time of day to watch birds, observe their special displays and listen to their songs. We will jump on the skiffs and head to the shores of the Ucayali River. This area is green with large trees and old palm trees as well, and these components favor the presence of several parrot species. This particular spot also has a great number of other birds of different species. Perhaps spot a large flock of red-bellied macaws, as well different types of raptors, woodpeckers and swallows. If you are very lucky you will hear loud and distinctive sounds of blue and yellow macaws!

Dorado River:

We will look for the famous hoatzins nesting a few feet above water, and perhaps a sloth or two of the three toed kind. The Dorado River can also be home to troops of brown capuchin monkeys mixed up with squirrel monkeys. As the sunsets our aim will be looking for black and white caiman, fishing bats, and Noisy Nights Monkeys where you will encounter a whole new world of adventure.



DAY 3

AM:

- Pacaya River.

PM:

- Magdalena.

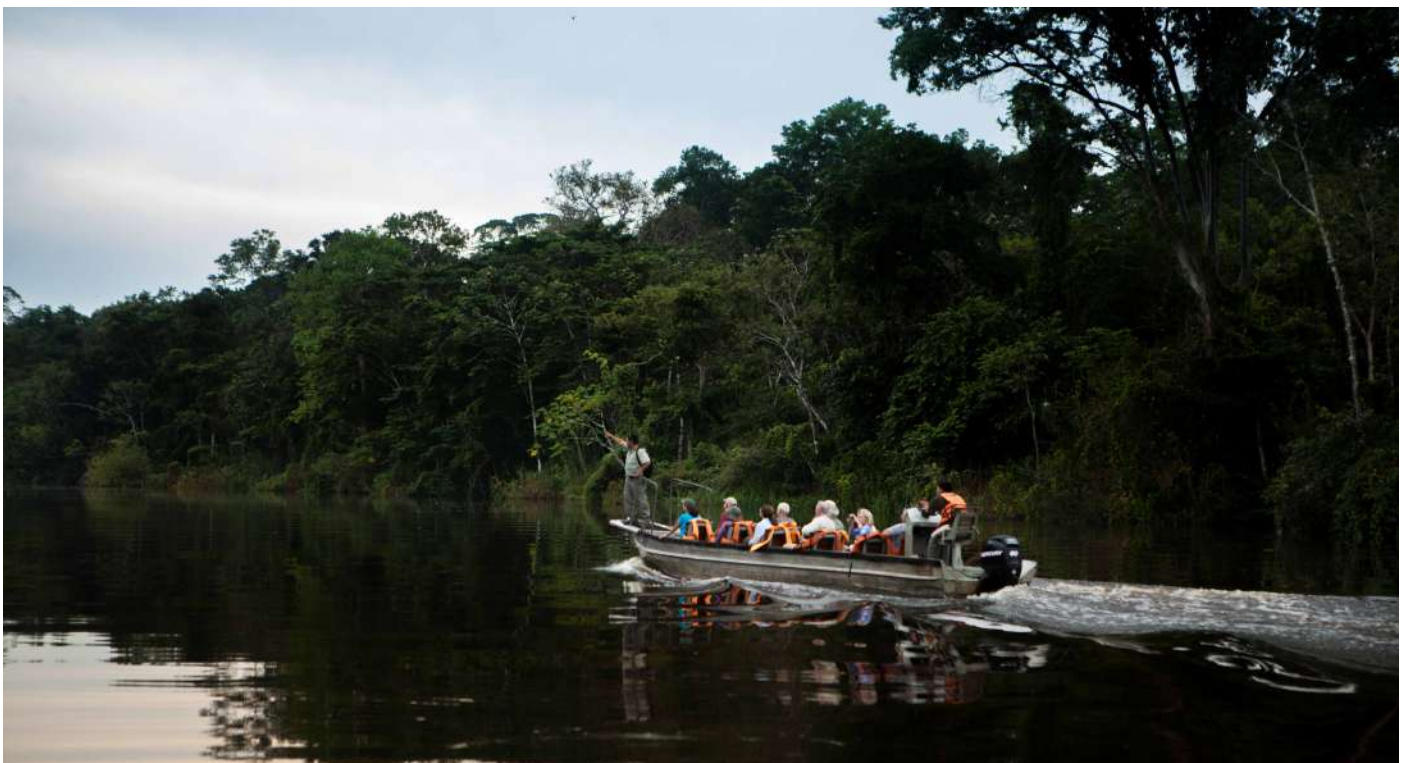


Pacaya River:

The Pacaya River at the very heart of the Pacaya Samiria National Reserve, Peru's largest protected area with a mean annual rainfall of nearly 3,000 millimeters, by far the largest protected wetland reserve in the world. Filled with lakes, palm swamps, and streams, the reserve becomes a flooded forest in the rainy season and is sure to be one of the most beautiful places you'll ever visit. You will also have the chance to swim in one of the pristine Amazon lagoons in this wonderful region!

Magdalena:

Our skiff will speed along the main river to reach the narrower channels where we will explore the thick rainforest adjacent to the water. During our explorations we will look for some of the more typical and iconic birds of the New World tropics, such as the lettered aracari toucan, the straightbilled woodcreeper and the white-eared jacamar. Later on, travel near Flor de Castaña, for an opportunity to swim among pink dolphins. If you are thinking Piranhas, as many people have in their minds, when they think about the Amazon River! But don't worry; the aggressiveness of this characteristic fish of the Amazon is really extremely overrated.



DAY 4

AM:

- Yarapa River.

PM:

- Fundo Casual.

Night:

- Puerto Prado



Yarapa River:

Along the Yarapa River, you will get to explore this tributary intimately. Listen closely for the sounds from within the mysterious jungle. We travel down river to this wide creek that leads to an attractive hidden lagoon. As we absorb the beauty of the landscape, we will have the chance to reflect on the wildlife. Hawks, terns, herons and monkeys which are part of our everyday excursions are readily close by; in this area we will notice many more inhabitants of the Amazon, the *riverños*. People being an important part of this complex bionetwork only reinforce the fact that we are part of their lives and how our presence here and now could make a difference to the future of this magical land of the Incas. Look out for specific types of Monkeys like the pygmy marmoset, squirrel monkey, and our first Monk Saki. This medium-sized monkey with the thick fur and bushy tail looks more like he is dressed for the Arctic than the Amazon.

Fundo Casual:

The walk at Fundo Casual jungle trail will take you deep into the rainforest on terra firme (nonflooded forest) where your guide will point out the dynamic creatures and vegetation of the Amazon. Be sure to keep an attentive eye open for spotting surprises! Its almost unbelievable how with every step you find something along the way. Almost definitely Anaconda, Rainbow Boas, Tarantulas, Poison Frogs, and most recently porquepines have been spotted. This is one of the very few places in the Pacaya Samiria National Reserve Amazon Rainforest where you will spot the ever so elusive 2-toed sloth.

Puerto Prado:

With an orange moon rising—a perfect time for a night walk! As we explore the area look for frogs and birds, and we found insects of all colors, sizes, and shapes! As night approaches your guide will take you on a night safari in search of caiman alligators and night birds.



DAY 5

AM:

- Disembarkation.
- The Rescue & Rehabilitation Center of River Mammals (ACOBIA).
- Airport departure.



Disembarkation:

With heavy hearts, the staff will wish you farewell as you begin your departure. At the port of Nauta, our ground crew will be waiting to take you by our private vehicle back to the city of Iquitos, about 95 kilometers journey by paved road.

The Rescue & Rehabilitation Center of River Mammals (ACOBIA):

On our way from Nauta back to Iquitos airport, you will visit the Rescue & Rehabilitation Center of River Mammals (ACOBIA) where you will have the chance to meet baby manatees and learn about these wonderful and docile creatures and why they are on the endangered species list. As well, there are also some other animals cared for by the center that have been rescued from capture for the intention of being turned into pets and other threatening conditions. We welcome you to donate to this ambitious organization and education center as you wish. Our land personnel will wait for you at the airport and give your boarding passes and help you check in.

Airport departure:

Our staff will be on hand to help you with your luggage and check in at Crnl. FAP Francisco Secada Vignetta International Airport in Iquitos. The return flight will take you directly to the city of Lima, the capital of Peru. At the security gate, your guide and Delfin crew will say goodbye. We truly hope that you enjoyed your stay and Amazon travel experience with us!



BONUS TRACK

Once you are on board, your naturalist will inform you of all the additional activities we will offer during your journey. Bird watching at break of dawn, slide show of endemic wildlife in the afternoon, discovering fruits from the rain forest you probably have never seen before, what about cooking a local dish? Or learning how to make a Pisco Sour! We encourage you to join us on every session to learn, feel & taste a little bit more of the Amazon.



Notes

- **Nature walks & explorations:** Due to the conditions of the wet and humid rainforest, the Delfin outfits you with waterproof rubber boot rentals (included) for your comfort and convenience. Before each outing, the boots will be provided for you; after each outing, they will be returned to the staff for cleaning. We also provide the use of rain ponchos.
- **Fishing:** Our fishing policy is in the form of catch and release.
- **Community visits:** It is possible to create very intimate experiences with the local native community people. For example, there are many young children and families in communities who have various needs in the absence of their own resources, so any help will be very useful. Kids love shirts (T-shirts), pencils, notebooks, and toys. Candies to distribute among them are also great sources of joy.

Recommendations

- **Itinerary:** The itineraries are subject to change due to weather conditions at certain times of the year. The water levels of the rivers also vary from time to time, as well as the hours of sailing. Excursions may be modified at the discretion of the Delfin crew.
- **Weather:** The weather in Iquitos is warm and humid and the temperature varies between 33 °C (90 °F) and 21 °C (70 °F).
 - The rainy (high water) season is from November to May.
 - The dry (low water) season is from June to October.
 - Each season boasts dramatic difference in plants, animals, and weather.
- **Clothing:** light and fresh pieces, blouses, long-sleeved shirts, swimwear, shoes with soft rubber sole for the boat (rubber boots and rain ponchos are provided by us), cardigan or long-sleeved shirts, wind resistant jackets. The days are hot and humid while the night breeze is fresh.
- **Insects & Mosquitoes:** We recommend taking Vitamin B or B-15 a few days before arrival to the jungle. These vitamins are the best natural repellent against insect bites. As well, do not forget to bring conventional repellent and cream for bites.
- **Other items:** We suggest bringing sunscreen, a hat, sunglasses, binoculars (very important for enjoying the fauna and flora. Preferably 1 per person), camera, and extra batteries.
- **Connectivity:** There is no WiFi Internet or phone signal coverage on our vessels.
- **Tips:** Tips for both the crew and the guides are not included and are expected, as is customary on cruises around the world. The amounts are distributed equally between your entire vessel's crew, and we hope their service is valuable and insightful to your experience aboard Delfin. From past experience an average of US\$ 120.00 per passenger is suggested, and envelopes will be provided in your room.