

UAKARI + AMAZON EMOTIONS

SPECIAL PROGRAM

Uakari Lodge and Amazon Emotions Lodge have come together to offer the visitor a hybrid experience in two different Amazonian ecosystems. In this experience, learn about indigenous agricultural techniques, observe species of fauna and flora typical of each region and enjoy the sun from two angles: sailing on the Mamirauá lake and from the top of a canopy of trees.

Uakari Lodge floats in the waters of a Japurá River channel, in the Mamirauá Sustainable Development Reserve. There, most tours are done by boat - in the flooded season, you sail through the rainforest, at the same height as the treetops. On the other hand, Amazon Emotions Jungle Lodge is located about 2 hours drive from the city of Presidente Figueiredo, in a region that never floods. Local plants and animals are most easily found on walking trails.



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Day 1: At 9:00 am, you will be transferred by car to the headquarters of the Amazon Emotions Jungle Lodge - 667 acres of tropical forest within the environmental protection area of Caverna da Maruaga and located at Km 144 of the BR-174 Manaus highway -Boa Vista, near the municipality of Presidente Figueiredo (this is the road that leads to Venezuela). It takes two hours by car and, along the journey, the vegetation changes from colonized deforested areas to virgin forest.

On the way to the lodge, discover some incredible local works of art, tapestries, books, bows, arrows and other unique souvenirs at the indigenous store Waimiri Atrorari, located in the small town of Presidente Figueiredo. Leaving the city, we will visit one of the spectacular and refreshing waterfalls of the jungle, for which this area is known. From the parking lot, the walk to the waterfall takes 10 minutes and the landscape is beautiful - with trees covered with moss, bromeliads and orchids on all sides. This trail ends with a 10 meter high waterfall.

After the waterfall, you will be warmly welcomed at Amazon Emotions lodge. You will be welcomed with a snack and guided by the team.

To spend more time in the jungle, we serve only two main meals: breakfast and lunch or dinner. We will be happy to provide snacks between these meals and fresh fruits are always available for your convenience at no additional cost. Don't worry: you and your group will not go hungry!

The accommodation, hidden within the rainforest, is family owned and operated as an enterprise that will allow them to share the wonders of the Amazon with visitors and, at the same time, preserve the environment.

Every night, for all our guests interested in learning more on their own, there is an opportunity to spend the night exploring the area around the jungle lodge - learning more about local jungle life.



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Day 2: We will meet at the lodge before proceeding to the Edible Forest Gardening Experience in the "Garden". This trail starts at the side of the main road, through areas where the forest is regenerating and there are large areas of untouched forest. For this reason, this trail is ideal for showing how the jungle recovers from deforestation and the importance of forest conservation for the Amazon region. At Garden, we consciously apply the principles of ecology to the design of home gardens that mimic the structure and function of the forest ecosystem structure, for our food production methods. Learn how locals use the plants and fruits of the jungle on this cultural tour. Experience the local tradition and learn about the nature, history and culture of the Amazon.

During the afternoon, get ready for an exciting tree climbing adventure! From the accommodation, you will embark on a guided walk along a trail that meanders under the dense canopy of the Amazon rainforest. Our tree climbing adventure begins with an Angelim tree (*Dinizia excelsa*), which rises 200 feet above the forest floor, specially selected for your adventure. You will receive complete instructions on tree climbing techniques and your guide will be at your side as you climb the canopy. Once at the top of the tree, there will be a canvas hammock waiting for you to rest, relax and observe the life of the Amazonian nature from the point of view of a bird. Ahhh... we call this 'tree time'! The canvas net is securely tied to the tree and its safety rope remains locked and protected, allowing you to relax and enjoy your experience in this wonderful canopy of the treetops.

The forest changes completely during the night: sounds and smells are intensified and other senses are awakened. In an evening experience, different from a daytime climb, our guests find beauty in the smallest details, such as the croaking of frogs or the humming of insects. And if you turn off the flashlight, you can watch the glow of the fireflies in the forest or hear the bats' flapping wings - and if you look carefully at the ground, you can see the faint glow of bioluminescent fungi below. When you turn on the lights again, you can see the reflection of hundreds of tiny insect eyes around. When we descend from the tree and return to the lodge, you can hear the call of cicadas, owls and other nocturnal birds. Without a doubt, this is an overwhelming experience! Enjoy your dinner, learn about the family's efforts to preserve the land and the traditions of the local population.



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Day 3: Venture into the jungle with your local guide and have a great opportunity to spot unusual insects and animals. You and your guide have the day to explore the forest, focusing on how to live in the forest. Learn how to climb a palm tree without ropes and (depending on the time of year) collect açaí - and enjoy a delicious juice. Contribute to the science that participates in the Amazon Jaguar Vision Project and help install cameras to capture wildlife in the jungle. The subtly placed cameras often capture animals, especially mammals, that people rarely see elsewhere. By helping our naturalists to collect data from camera traps and install new cameras, you will learn all about the exciting work. Finally, you will study the captured images and discover which rare and fascinating animals the cameras have captured. This is an experience not to be missed. Afterwards, you are invited to dine and meet the staff at the lodge.

Day 4: Enjoy your breakfast and then get ready for your return to Manaus. The departure is at 9:00 am. Our driver will take you to the airport to catch a flight to Tefé.

After disembarking at Tefé airport, the Uakari Lodge staff will be waiting for you. Then, we are taken to the port of Lago Tefé, where our boat leaves for a 01 hour trip. Right after departure, we experience the "meeting of the waters", where the black waters of the lake meet the white waters of the Solimões River. The trip is a complete experience in itself. We learn along the Solimões River and, when we enter the Mamirauá Reserve, we see local riverside communities and their stilts, many of the more than 350 species of birds, mammals and aquatic animals, such as caimans, dolphins and arapaima, the largest fish in the waters of the Amazon .

We are welcomed into the impressive floating accommodation by the local manager, the naturalist guide and all the staff, when we are introduced to each other and instructed about the security program and procedures. Right after check-in, we go on a trail or canoe trip for an interpretation of the local nature.

After dinner, we attend a presentation on the history of the Mamirauá Sustainable Development Reserve and the projects being developed by the Mamirauá Sustainable Development Institute, a research unit funded and supervised by the Ministry of Science, Technology and Innovation of Brazil and by several other national and international bodies.



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Day 5: Mornings start early at Uakari Lodge! At 06:30 am, we have breakfast and leave for activities at 07:00 am. The first thing we will do today is to visit a local riverside community. A local guide takes us on a tour of the village, shows the daily life of the riverside people in a lowland forest - the water levels rise and fall about 12 meters a year, and this requires a lot of adaptation from the local population!

We return to the lodge at lunchtime - always very fresh food, produced mainly in the local communities. We follow the local tradition and rest for a while until 15:30 - 16:00 pm, when we go on to the second activity of the day - a trail or a canoe ride, if it is the flooded season.

Dinner is served around 7 pm and tonight we set out on an adventure: an evening trail! It is always impressive to participate in this activity, since we observe different animals and hear very unique noises from the forest. If it's the flooded season, we take a night boat trip.

Day 6: After breakfast (with many fruits and local delicacies made from manioc), we leave for a morning walk. Today the trail is longer and we can see many of the impressive trees and animals in the Amazon. If we are in the flooded season (and the hiking trails are under water), we set out on a short canoe trip through the flooded forest - an experience you will never forget.

The silence of the canoe gliding through the waters, very close to the treetops, will be interrupted by the screams of the howler monkeys, the birds singing or the diving of the aquatic animals.

We go back for lunch and relax for a few hours in the hammocks on the balconies of our room, which extend over the river. We leave at 15:30 pm for a boat trip on Lake Mamirauá. It is our longest journey in the reserve and you will learn more about the history of the region, directly from the local guides.

When we get to the lake, we have a picnic on board while enjoying the always dramatic sunset. On the way back, the spotlights are used to see nocturnal animals, such as the huge black caimans, which can be up to 4 meters long. Dinner and free time in the evening.



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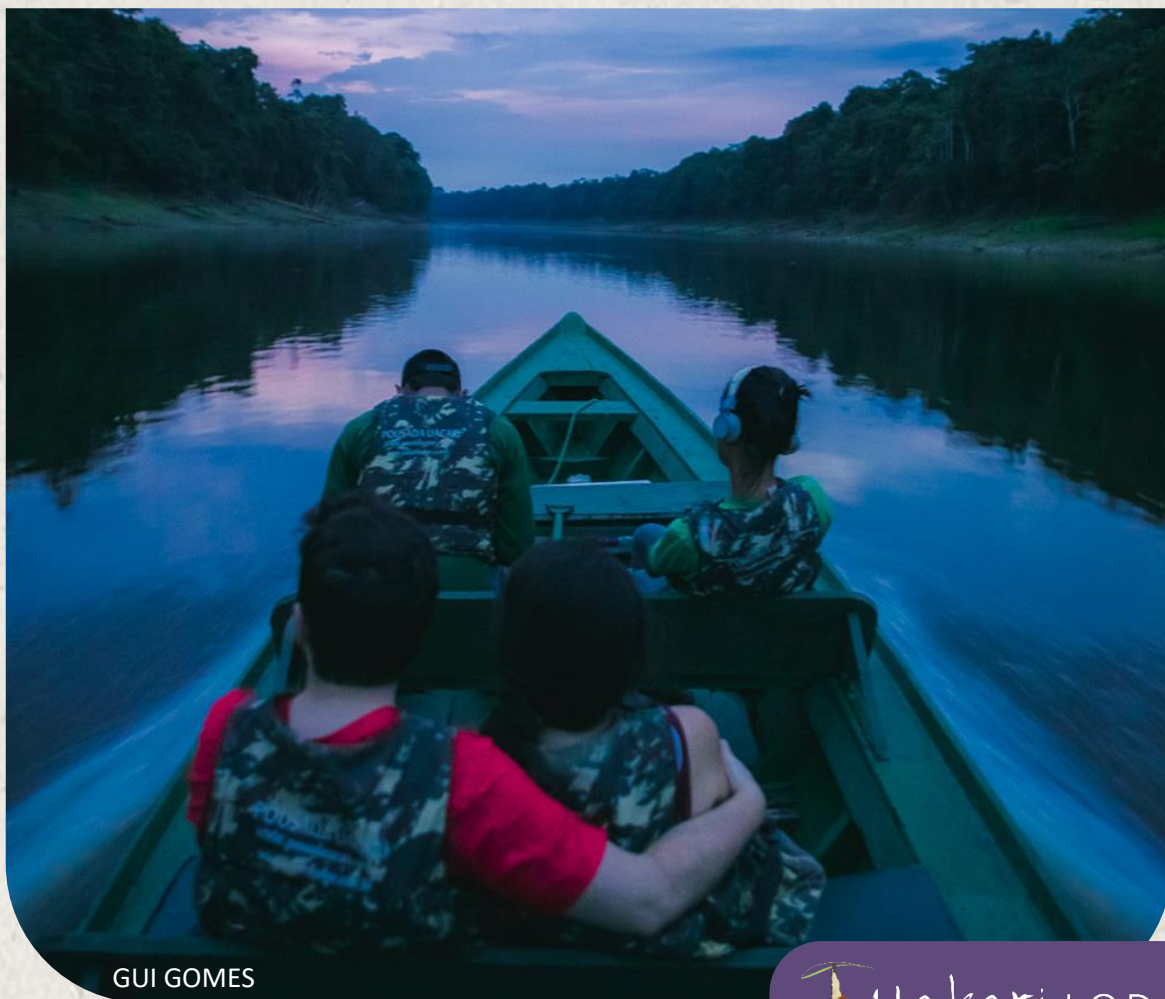
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Day 7: After breakfast we leave at 7:00 am to fish for piranhas, very abundant in this region. With the help of local guides, you will learn why they can be so dangerous!

We go back to the lodge, have lunch and rest for a while, talk to locals, read in the library or watch a documentary. In the afternoon we will do our last immersion in the jungle, doing a trail or canoe trip.

In the evening, after dinner, the biologists who conduct research in the area come to the lodge to introduce the world of science, bringing information about a local animal, the result of their work and how scientific research helps in the development of conservation strategies in the reserve.

Day 8: These are our last moments at Uakari Lodge. We have breakfast at 06:40 am , check-out and leave at 07:00 am for Tefé (airport or hotel).



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