

NEW TOUR

Amazon Odyssey

Where Jungle, River, and Wonder Meet

— AUGUST 1-12, 2027 —

Venture into the heart of the Amazon on a unique 10-night journey aboard the *RV Brazilian Dream*. Glide past pink dolphins, explore ancient caves, and wander rainforest trails few travelers ever see. Visit vibrant riverside villages, witness the jungle awaken with a symphony of birds at dawn, and discover one of the world's most remarkable ecosystems.

DAYS 1-2: WELCOME TO BRAZIL!

Your adventure begins in Manaus, a vibrant metropolis carved out of the heart of the rainforest. After arriving via an overnight flight, you will step into the “Paris of the Tropics.” Navigate the lively local markets teeming with exotic fruits and silver-scaled river fish before stepping inside the legendary Teatro Amazonas. This Renaissance masterpiece built during the rubber boom dazzles visitors with Italian marble and Murano glass. This evening, board the *RV Brazilian Dream*, your intimate sanctuary for the next 10 nights. Sip a welcome cocktail on the deck as the city lights fade and the rhythmic symphony of the jungle takes over. *L, D*

DAY 3: RIO NEGRO

Wake to the call of the wild as the sun pierces through the jungle canopy. Keep your binoculars ready for macaws and toucans painting the sky, and look for the surreal ripple of pink and gray river dolphins breaking the glassy surface of the Rio Negro. A guided morning trek introduces you to the “pharmacy of the forest” where your local experts reveal the medicinal secrets of towering palms and ancient vines. Later, cruise toward



Três Bocas and navigate a labyrinth of islands by small boat to get a front-row seat to the most elusive wildlife of the Amazon. **B, L, D**

DAY 4: MADADÁ CAVES

Venture deep into the emerald brush to discover the Madadá Caves. These mysterious rock formations house 3,000-year-old engravings that offer a hauntingly beautiful connection to the indigenous people who first called this paradise home. The trek is a masterclass in biodiversity that showcases the complex ecosystem of the jungle. In the afternoon, swap your hiking boots for motorized canoes and weave through the floating vegetation of the Meduini River. **B, L, D**

DAY 5: JAÚ NATIONAL PARK

Today, enter the crown jewel of South American conservation: Jaú National Park. As a UNESCO World Heritage site, this pristine wilderness feels like a world untouched by time. Stand in awe beneath the Samauma tree, a colossal “Giant of the Amazon” with roots that sprawl like cathedral buttresses. Your journey continues along the winding Carabineni River where the mirror-like water reflects the dense foliage. This creates a mesmerizing “double world” as you search for giant otters and rare birds. **B, L, D**

DAY 6: LIFE ALONG THE JAÚ RIVER

Experience the Amazon through the eyes of those who call it home. At sunrise, join local villagers for a paddling canoe excursion and move silently through the flooded forest. Visit a riverside community and school to offer a rare and humbling glimpse into the traditions and resilience of “Caboclo” life. After a relaxed afternoon of cruising, the adventure takes a thrilling turn. After dark, set out with flashlights for nocturnal wildlife spotting. Watch for the glowing red eyes of caimans lurking along the muddy banks under the starlit canopy. **B, L, D**

DAY 7: ITAOBAL TRAIL

Nature meets history on the Itaobal Trail. Hike through the jungle to reach a hidden waterfall and a crystal-clear lake, which serves as a perfect oasis for a refreshing pause. The mood shifts in the afternoon as you explore Airão Velho, a once-prosperous rubber boom town now being slowly reclaimed by the roots and vines of the jungle. Walking through these crumbling ruins offers a poignant look at the rise and fall of the 19th-century “Rubber Barons.” **B, L, D**

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Watch for vibrant macaws as you explore the Amazon rainforest



Discover the Amazon's breathtaking waterfalls and lush rainforest landscapes



DAY 8: NOVO AIRÃO

Arrive in the charming riverside village of Novo Airão, a place famous for its skilled artisans and colorful wood carvings. Explore the local craft shops or perhaps sample a brew at the regional brewery before heading back into the wild. Your vessel enters the Anavilhanas Archipelago, one of the largest river archipelagos in the world. From the vantage point of your small boats, navigate the narrow channels of Acajatuba and come within arm's reach of the vibrant Amazonian flora. **B, L, D**

DAY 9: ACAJATUBA AND THE ARIAÚ RIVER

Wander past the bright, stilted houses of Acajatuba and learn how the locals adapt to the rising and falling tides of the river. Navigate the Ariaú Canal, a lush natural corridor connecting the Amazon and Rio Negro. This area is a playground for wildlife. Keep your eyes on the treetops for the mão amarela (yellow-handed) monkeys as they swing overhead, and listen for the distinct chatter of the many avian residents of the jungle. **B, L, D**

Pricing Table

Cabin	Price PP
Amazonia Suite Deck 3	\$8,899
Amazonia Suite Deck 4	\$9,399
Canopee Suite Deck 4 SOLD OUT	\$9,899

Single Supplement + \$7,000. \$500 deposit per person.

DAY 10: MEETING OF THE WATERS

Witness one of the most spectacular sights on Earth: the "Meeting of the Waters." Here, the dark, tea-colored waters of the Rio Negro and the pale, sandy currents of the Solimões run side-by-side for nearly 50 miles without mixing. The striking visual contrast is a photographer's dream. As you sail through this swirling liquid border, enjoy a sunset that sets the sky on fire and marks our transition into the mighty Amazon River. **B, L, D**

DAY 11: JANAUCÁ LAKE

Your final full day is spent on the wildlife-rich Janauacá Lake. This fertile floodplain is an avian paradise where kingfishers dart and dolphins play. Explore the local "Varzea" (flooded forests) to see how residents farm cassava and raise livestock in this unique environment. As the *RV Brazilian Dream* turns back toward Manaus, enjoy a final gala dinner on board while reminiscing with new friends about the jaguars, dolphins, and ancient legends discovered along the way. **B, L, D**

DAY 12: RETURN HOME

Enjoy one last tropical breakfast on the deck and breathe in the earthy scent of the rainforest one last time. Disembark in Manaus and bid a heartfelt farewell to the crew who have become like family. As you head to the airport for your return flight, you will carry with you the "Saudade," which is that beautiful Portuguese longing for the mysterious and magical heart of the Amazon. **B** 🌿

TOUR DETAILS

12 Days • 30 Meals

Aug 1-12, 2027

Price Per Person:

See Table

Pre/Post Hotel: Call for pricing

Depart/Return:

Chicago, IL

HIGHLIGHTS

- Small Group Tour (30 MAX)
- Sail aboard the brand-new *RV Brazilian Dream*, including a private balcony
- Cruise the extraordinary Rio Negro and Amazon rivers
- Enjoy opportunities for up-close encounters with Amazonian wildlife
- Explore Jaú National Park and the Anavilhanas Archipelago
- Engage with local communities, sharing meaningful cultural experiences and glimpses into daily life
- Trek rainforest trails, visit ancient caves, and encounter remote, largely unexplored corners of the Amazon
- Witness the spectacular Meeting of the Waters where two mighty rivers flow side-by-side without mixing

ACCOMMODATIONS

Nights 2-11: *RV Brazilian Dream*