



## EXPEDITION AMAZON: LIFELINE AND LEGENDARY ROUTE

Award-winning and unrivalled, this route is a pure expedition between the delta and the remote upper reaches of the Amazon. On winding waterways surrounded by diverse rainforest, you will become both a naturalist and an adventurer. A cruise that puts you right at the centre of the action.



### ITINERARY

Day 1 Icoaraci (Belem)/Brazil

Departure 22.00 hrs

Day 2 Daytime passage through the Breves Channels

If nature's orchestra has created a masterpiece, then it's the Amazon. Its name evokes a sense of temptation, risk and a yearning for adventure, but also with the need to protect unique ecosystems. How does it feel to hear, see and sense it for the first time? Find out on board. The advantages of your little expedition ship are already apparent during the daytime passage through the Breves Channels, which gives an idea of the fantastic creations of nature. The calls of the toucans, yellow-headed caracaras and saffron finches will accompany you. The lush banks close in around the ship, while it confidently negotiates challenging changes in direction - much to the delight of the locals, the Caboclos, who you will meet time and again on your adventure in their boats, both large and small.



While you experience the Amazon with all your senses, your experts on board will quench your thirst for knowledge and also shed light on the tensions between unspoilt nature and global economic interests.

[Days 3 - 7 Upstream on the Amazon with Zodiac landings](#)

Upstream on the Amazon with Zodiac landings (including Guajara, Virassaia, Alter do Chao, Parintins, Canacari)

The Amazon, or "Rio Mar", as it's known by the locals, is both a global symbol of the need to protect our nature and a wondrous, record-holding waterway. It is the setting for thrilling natural spectacles that you will experience respectfully and in the company of experts on your small, manoeuvrable expedition ship and its Zodiacs, weather and currents permitting.

Your Amazon adventure begins in Guajara, a small settlement where families make a living from cattle farming. Perhaps you will see mighty water buffalo standing in the river, grazing on aquatic plants. With a bit of luck, you will be able to observe the legendary pink river dolphins from your Zodiac - the young are grey at first and only change colour after two years.

At the small riverside settlement of Virassaia, look out for a special feathered friend: the indigenous hoatzin. You might even see herons and cormorants as you enjoy Zodiac rides through the species-rich floodplain areas. New surprises await around every bend in the river.

Enjoy a relaxing time in the village of Alter do Chao on the Rio Tapajos, where a surprisingly Caribbean-style beach invites you to swim in the warm water. A landscape that appears and

disappears depending on the water level. Along the riverbank, the Brazilian rainforest invites you to discover its wonders together with your experts.

On the large river island of Tupinambarana, you can explore the city of Parintins. Here you can experience pure Brazilian exuberance shaped by Indigenous traditions - such as the famous folklore festival in June. Pay a visit to the cathedral or treat yourself to some regional delicacies.

Seek out a totally different natural treasure in Canacari. You will travel through grassy meadows in Zodiacs in search of the largest water lily in the world, the Victoria amazonica, which can grow to an incredible 3 m (9.8 ft) in diameter. But birdwatchers will also be in their element when great-billed diving petrels, silver and blue herons as well as various species of birds of prey show themselves.

Time and again, you will discover hidden idylls and marvel at the exotic plants and creatures. The experts will enhance your experiences with their specialist knowledge. They'll highlight the extent to which commercial interests are taking over and endangering this natural treasure trove, but also the work of global rescue and reforestation initiatives.

[Day 8 Rio Negro](#)

On the Rio Negro, you will bear witness to the legendary "Encontro das Aguas", the "Meeting of Waters". The "Meeting of Waters" is the spectacular confluence between the dark Rio Negro and the pale, sandy-coloured Rio Solimoes, the name for this part of the Amazon River. In this unique natural spectacle, the two rivers do not mix immediately, but flow side by side for



kilometres. From the deck and the walkway at the bow, you will observe that the protected riparian landscapes of the Rio Negro look different depending on the water level. Your experts on board will have exciting stories to tell about the diversity of plants and animals that favour the riparian areas.

#### Days 9 - 10 Manaus

Accompanied by the sounds of the jungle, you will reach Manaus, the capital of the state of Amazonas. In this metropolis on the Rio Negro, it becomes clear how closely nature and culture are intertwined along the river banks. The kaleidoscope of colours in the jungle and the metropolis seem to vie with each other, yet together they form a unique symbiosis. The rubber boom once brought Manaus fabulous wealth, as evidenced by the magnificent Teatro Amazonas, with marble from Carrara and crystal chandeliers from Murano. The colonial past and the global present collide in the jungle metropolis, where modern glass facades alternate with classical and art nouveau buildings. Prepare to be inspired by the city's history and its contrasts.

#### Days 11 - 18 Further upstream on the Amazon with Zodiac landings (including Badajos, Cuxiu Muni, Rio Jutai, Leticia/Colombia, Pevas/Peru)

Even today, previously unrecorded animal and plant species are still being discovered in the Amazon region - a sign of how unique and precious this ecosystem is.

A Zodiac ride through the small canals of Badajos will raise your awareness of how special this place is. Huge water lilies adorn the water surface. Discover giant Brazil nut trees and the red flowers of bromeliads and passion flowers while the experts

enhance your perspective on the fascinating undergrowth - for example, to help you marvel at the sloths or the capuchin monkeys doing gymnastics in the trees.

When the Zodiacs navigate through the night-time jungle of Cuxiu Muni, look out for the eyes of caimans shining through the darkness. Your Amazon experts on board will introduce you to the bizarre world of reptiles and insects and explain the workings of the sensitive ecosystem with great enthusiasm.

This unique cruise is filled with astonishing sights - for example, on the Rio Jutai, when the cries of tropical birds call out across the water and you keep watch for exotic species. You will navigate the flooded forest with the Zodiacs between the submerged trees, which are covered with an abundance of vines and colourful flowering epiphytes.

In Leticia, an important trading centre in the tri-border region of Colombia, Peru and Brazil, you will experience lush flora and plant life. Tropical fruits and vegetables and fresh spices on the colourful markets along the riverbank are a vibrant testimony to a culture that lives with and from nature. Tantalising colours and scents captivate your senses, accompanied by the whistling and calling of the parrots.

Pevas, one of the oldest Peruvian settlements on the Amazon and still characterised today by the traditional stilt houses of Indian villages, gives you an idea of what it is like to live in the wild. A fascinating end to your intense Amazon adventure.

#### Day 19 Iquitos/Peru



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## YOUR SHIP: HANSEATIC INSPIRATION

**YOUR SHIP:** **Hanseatic Inspiration**

**VESSEL TYPE:**

**LENGTH:**

**PASSENGER CAPACITY:**

**BUILT/REFURBISHED:**

The HANSEATIC inspiration, a small, state-of-the-art expedition ship with a maximum of 230 guests, offers a perfect blend of adventure and comfort for explorers seeking to uncover the world's wonders. As an international vessel conducting cruises in both English and German, it brings over 30 years of expertise from a market leader in German-speaking countries to every journey. Each expedition is a masterpiece, passionately crafted to reveal far-flung worlds--be it icy realms, tropical paradises, wildlife havens, or cultural gems--making every voyage a unique discovery aboard this exceptional ship. Features of all cabins and suites An ocean view with even more: exclusively outside cabins and suites, almost all with balconies or French balconies Spaciously designed - enjoy a relaxing stay in rooms from 21 m<sup>2</sup>/226 ft<sup>2</sup> up to 71 m<sup>2</sup>/764 ft<sup>2</sup> in size Exceptionally equipped - for example, with binoculars, Nordic Walking poles, air conditioning, coffee machine and mini bar (free of charge) and 24-hour cabin service Separable beds Rain shower and heated wall in bathroom (e.g. for towels and wet parkas) Extensive infotainment with live broadcast and recordings of expert presentations, forwardview camera, navigation chart, films and much more Restaurants Aboard the HANSEATIC inspiration, a

new kind of freedom blends adventure and pleasure with a culinary journey across three exceptional restaurants. The spacious HANSEATIC Restaurant offers flexible mealtimes and a free choice of seating, serving a daily-changing menu of global flavors inspired by local specialties, paired with fine wines and supported by attentive 24-hour cabin service. At the Lido Restaurant, guests can savor breakfast under the open sky or enjoy a perfectly grilled steak from the outdoor barbecue, complete with panoramic views and an open show kitchen. The specialty restaurant Nikkei fuses fine Japanese creations with modern Peruvian cuisine, delivering a unique dining experience that elevates exploration to new heights--all while bars in the Observation Lounge and HanseAtrium offer favorite drinks against stunning backdrops, from Nordic fjords to icy Antarctic vistas. Fitness and Wellness On the HANSEATIC inspiration, an extraordinary time out awaits after thrilling Zodiac rides, challenging hikes, or Arctic adventures. Unwind in the Ocean Spa, where a Finnish sauna with stunning ocean views, a gentle steam sauna, an ice fountain, and a relaxation room rejuvenate your senses, complemented by professional massages, cosmetic treatments, and eco-friendly products made from natural, vegan ingredients. Stay active in the 100 m<sup>2</sup> fitness room or separate course room--both with ocean vistas--guided by a fitness coach offering personalized advice and a variety of courses, either indoors or on deck. The pool area, with its flexible canopy, invites relaxation year-round, featuring water loungers, a whirlpool, and a bar, ensuring a perfect blend of indulgence and revitalization against the backdrop of the open sea. Knowledge Shore excursions and Zodiac rides come alive

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with deeper context through fascinating presentations in the HanseAtrium, a high-tech lounge where experts share daily precasts and recaps, doubling as an atmospheric evening bar for films and discussions. The Ocean Academy enhances the journey with a Study Wall and interactive poster of scientific insights, microscopes for exploring hidden wonders alongside experts, and Study Seats--with swivel touchscreens--for personal dives into science. Supported by travel diaries and destination videos, this immersive experience broadens horizons with cutting-edge tools and



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French Balcony Cabin



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Junior Suite



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Panoramic Cabin



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French Balcony Cabin	£19288 GBP pp
Balcony Cabin	£20828 GBP pp
Junior Suite	£28484 GBP pp
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