

EXPEDITION CRUISE UP THE AMAZON: FROM COASTAL BRAZIL TO THE RIVER'S SOUL

Your expedition truly begins as we enter the river's vast delta, navigating a series of intricate channels. Sail through the mesmerising Breves Narrows and the winding Furo do Cujuba, where the river's waters blend with the vibrant rainforest. You'll witness the unique ecosystems of Rio Cajari and the lush landscapes of Aquiqui and Gurupa, as you venture further into the river's mysterious heart. The journey culminates in the historic and thriving city of Belem, the very soul of the Amazon's maritime world. This is more than a cruise; it is an adventure of discovery. Along the way, you'll encounter the immense biodiversity of the rainforest, from its unique wildlife to its local communities. You will be a true explorer, navigating a world of unparalleled natural wonder and rich culture



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Day 1. Fortaleza

Fortaleza is Brazil's fifth-largest city, located on the northeastern coastline in the state of Ceara. Its history includes a Dutch outpost in 1654, later retaken by the Portuguese and renamed Fortaleza (fortress). Among the highlights are the Praia do Futuro beach, forro, traditional music and dance at the ornate, Art Nouveau-styled Theatro Jose de Alencar, or shopping for hammocks and handmade lace and embroideries at the Central Market

Day 2. Day at sea

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Days 3-4. Itaqui, São Luís

Itaqui, a port in Sao Luis, Maranhao, provides access to the UNESCO-listed Praia Grande historic city centre. This area is home to over 3,500 colonial Portuguese houses, along with galleries and museums. Further inland, Lençois Maranhenses National Park is renowned for its unique landscape of stunning white sand dunes sculpted by the wind and filled with rain-fed, crystal-clear blue lagoons

Days 5-6. Day at sea

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Day 7. Rio Cajari

The Rio Cajari Extractive Reserve in Amapa highlights remarkable ecological diversity while balancing conservation with sustainable use by local communities. Encompassing rainforests, cerrado grasslands, and flooded riparian zones, the reserve is home to valuable tree species like Brazil nuts and açai palms. It supports a wide range of wildlife, including tapirs, monkeys, cats, alligators, turtles and numerous bird and fish species

Day 7. Aquiqui, Amazon River

Aquiqui is a town along the Iquiqui River's unspoiled banks on a tributary of the Amazon in Brazil. Surrounded by rainforest, it provides access to traditional Caboclo communities living in harmony with nature, where visitors can learn ancient wisdom and observe their customs, beliefs and way of life in tune with the ecosystem. The area is home to diverse wildlife like aquatic birds, monkey squirrels and iguanas

Day 8. Gurupa, Amazon River

Gurupa is a fishing town on the Amazon River delta in Brazil. Located on Ilha Grande do Gurupa island, it lies near the Amazon's convergence with the Xingu River. Adapted to seasonal floods, Gurupa offers access to the biodiversity of the vast Amazon Basin and an ecosystem which includes varzea forest and savanna. The area provides habitat for endemic birds like the scaled spinetail, fish, monkeys and bats drawn to the varzea's fruiting trees

Day 8. Furo do Cujuba

Furo do Cujuba is a stream in Para, Brazil, that traverses diverse Amazonian ecosystems, including forests, lowland forests and aquatic vegetation. This waterway is part of the intricate system of rivers and channels that characterise the Amazon region. These ecosystems play a crucial role in maintaining the



ecological balance of the Amazon. Along the furos are riverside communities whose daily lives are intimately connected to these waterways

Day 9. Cruising Breves Narrows

Navigating Brazil's Breves Narrows, upriver from Belem in the Thousand Islands region, is a mesmerising Amazonian journey. This natural passage, surrounded by towering walls of lush vegetation, creates a secluded green canyon in the heart of the jungle. Enigmatic wildlife such as scarlet macaws, and equatorial flora such as giant Victoria water lilies flourish. The welcoming locals, known as ribeirinhos, offer warm hospitality

Day 10. Belem

Once one of South America's most prosperous cities, known as 'tropical Paris', today Belem remains a thriving port and is the gateway to the Amazon. The opulence of Belem's golden era is showcased at the neoclassical-style 1874 Theatro da Paz on the Praça de Republica. Pretty green spaces are shaded by mango trees and the historical centre has plenty of wonderful museums. The bustling Ver-o-Peso market is Latin America's largest open-air market

Please note:

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YOUR SHIP: VEGA

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VESSEL TYPE:

LENGTH:

PASSENGER CAPACITY:

BUILT/REFURBISHED:

Launched in 2022, this state of the art ship has been designed to journey to off the beaten path destinations and remote polar regions in style and comfort. The ship incorporates a PC5 ice-strengthened hull combined with extra-large stabilisers to make your journey as smooth as possible. Sophisticated Elegance. We know how important outdoor space is, so our spacious, relaxing public spaces provide wide open, unobstructed views throughout the ship. The destination will always be in view. Your Wellbeing. The safety & happiness of our guests is paramount to our 120-strong crew on board as well as our passionate expedition team who'll be serving up thrilling shore excursions and lasting memories. Cabin Types. Our 76 cabins including 6 suites have all the amenities you will need to feel comfortable including dressing gowns, hairdryers, personal safes and minibars. Our stylish cabins all have desks, a dressing area and comfy seating. En suite bathrooms all feature glass-enclosed rain showers. Wheelchair access Guests who use wheelchairs must bring their own, as we have only a small number of wheelchairs stored onboard for emergencies. To ensure ease of movement on the ship, wheelchairs and mobility aids must be no wider than 65cm. All mobility or medical equipment brought on board must be capable of being carried safely and must be declared before sailing. To ensure that all guests can safely evacuate during an emergency, guests requiring a wheelchair can only be accommodated in our ADA-accessible cabins. We offer an Oceanview stateroom on Vega which is specifically designed to be completely ADA compliant and have a fully operable wheelchair-access wet unit. Vega has two lifts, serving every passenger deck apart from the Stargazing top deck, which is, therefore, more difficult to access, as are the Aft Marina and Swan's Nest forward observation platform. Also, we don't have special equipment to access the swimming pool, jacuzzi, or sauna. Otherwise, the ship is entirely at your disposal. Many of the expeditions ashore in remote places are by Zodiac. Boarding these boats and returning aboard can present challenges for wheelchair users, as can navigating uneven terrain. These challenges are by no means always insurmountable, though, and our highly experienced crew is trained to provide reliable advice and assistance. They will make every effort to ensure wheelchair-using guests enjoy a memorable experience at each destination. Our general guidance, however, is to recommend wheelchair users travel with a companion for their ease and enjoyment. If you prefer to remain aboard, our panoramic interiors and ample open decks ensure an immersive, intimate experience of your inspiring





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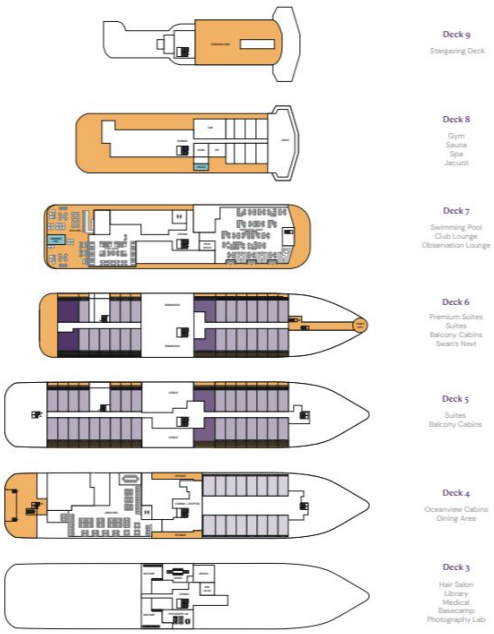

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