

Itinerary: Peruvian Amazon

January 1-16, 2027

January 1-7

JANUARY 01

Depart from US

JANUARY 02

Arrive in Iquitos. Shuttle to Hotel La Casona. Relax and explore neighborhood. Dinner at El Mesón restaurant.

JANUARY 03

Iquitos. Morning: Visit Belen outdoor market. Afternoon: Museum of Indigenous Amazonian Cultures and Rubber Boom museum (Museum of Historic Boats). Dinner at El Mesón restaurant.

JANUARY 04

Iquitos. Morning: Visit the Institute of Traditional Medicine (ESSalud Instituto de Medicina Tradicional). Visit the Santo Tomas Artisanal Market. Afternoon: Visit the manatee rescue center.

JANUARY 05

Board the river boat, Esperanza, and head down the Amazon, observing people and wildlife along the way. Stop at sites including typical riverine towns and a traditional distillery. Stop to swim in the Amazon river.

JANUARY 06

Early morning travel on the Esperanza. Morning: Arrive at Huitotos de Pucaurquillo. Meet with the community leader. Hold community meeting and welcome ceremony. Visit the nearby town of Pebas to get familiar. Soccer or volleyball game with community.

JANUARY 07

Break into two groups: biology and culture group. Discuss potential topics to investigate, such as traditional plant uses, food and cooking, gathering and fishing. Spend morning and early afternoon researching topics. Organize and store photographs and other data. Free time visiting and meeting community. Swimming, kayaking, games, and other fun.

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JANUARY 08

Break into two groups: biology and culture group. Discuss potential topics to investigate, such as traditional plant uses, food and cooking, gathering and fishing. Spend morning and early afternoon researching topics. Organize and store photographs and other data. Free time visiting and meeting community. Swimming, kayaking, games, and other fun.

JANUARY 09

Break into two groups: biology and culture group. Discuss potential topics to investigate, such as traditional plant uses, food and cooking, gathering and fishing. Spend morning and early afternoon researching topics. Organize and store photographs and other data. Free time visiting and meeting community. Swimming, kayaking, games, and other fun.

JANUARY 10

Afternoon, organize and store data. Create presentations. Swimming, kayaking, games, and other fun. Nighttime wildlife expedition.

JANUARY 11

Early morning community beautification activities. Recreation and free time visiting and meeting community.

JANUARY 12

Depart Pebas for Iquitos. River travel. Integrate slides and observation data for presentation at UCM. Rest and recreation. Visit river communities.

JANUARY 13

River travel to Iquitos. Outline and begin writing progress report for presentation at UCM. Rest and recreation. Visit river communities.

JANUARY 14

River travel to Iquitos. Morning visit to La Isla de Monos primate conservation center. Arrive in Iquitos in the late morning. Afternoon independent Iquitos exploration.

JANUARY 15

Independent Iquitos exploration. Farewell dinner at El Mesón restaurant.

JANUARY 16

Return to US