



AMAZON RIVER
MONSTERS

ORINOCO LODGE & CAMP

PEACOCK BASS AND PAYARA EXPEDITION





The perfect mix between world class wading class IV rapids in search of 20+ pound payara and giant sardinata on the Orinoco river, good catfish fishing and excellent opportunities at the catching multiple 10-22 pound peacock bass on a variety of lures. It's where you can try all the styles. Luxury individual cabin style tents with full size beds, marine toilets installed at each portable camp as well as meals designed and served by chefs means the benefits of camping in the most remote and virgin corner of the northern Orinoco Basin, without sacrificing any comfort of a fixed lodge.

For the full amazon experience, full of payara, peacock bass, catfish and sardinata; from casting poppers in a feeding frenzy to sight casting in a pocket, Orinoco and headwaters luxury camp expedition is a trip. The different types of fishing in this system make our extended package very attractive.





DAY 1

Our host will be waiting to pick you up at Bogotá Airport to transfer you to the Marriot Courtyard Hotel.

DAY 2

The next day you will join the main guide in the hotel to take the daily flight to Puerto Carreño from the Aeropuerto El Dorado.

At your arrival our driver will be waiting for you to start the 4 hour 4x4 ride down unmarked roads through natural savannah full of deer, tapir, pumas and anacondas until you reach the mouth of the Tomo river.

The arrival time to camp depends on what time the local flight is.

That night will be spent in the Orinoco Camp.

A man with a beard, wearing a straw hat and a light-colored shirt, is smiling as he holds a large, silver piranha fish. The fish is positioned horizontally, with its head to the right and tail to the left. The man is holding the fish by its tail and midsection. The background shows a wide river with some rapids, under a blue sky with scattered clouds. The fish's mouth is open, revealing sharp, yellowish teeth. The man has a fishing reel on his shoulder.

PAYARA FISHING DAYS

The Orinoco camp is located on the part of the Orinoco with the most rapids.

The natural beauty is unrivaled, and the pull of a land-based 20+ pound payara in strong current is also without equal. The amount it fish and low pressures means the fishing here is world class, expect to rund into big Payara, Sardinata and Bicuda.

Boats are shared between 2 anglers.

Three rapid systems can be fished from this camp, as well as the mouth of the Tomo river.





PEACOCK FISHING DAYS

After the 1st days spent fishing at the Orinoco Lodge, we will leave 6 am to fish a river all day along to reach one of our headwaters camp where we will target specifically peacock bass.



You will be entering pristine peacock bass waters where we regularly catch peacock bass over 20+ pounds.





We will reach the Peacock bass camp where we will be spending the next 4 nights.

The time spent in here will be under the protection of the local autonomous Sikvani natives

SPECIES

SPECKLED PEACOCK BASS

Cichla temensis

Largest cichlid in the world, characterized for its aggressive nature and amazing looks.



ORINOCO PEACOCK BASS

Cichla Orinocensis

Very strong game fish reaching close to 15 pounds. Pound for pound stronger than its larger cousin the speckled peacock bass the Orinoco Peacock bass inhabits the, Orinoco and Rio Negro basins.



PAYARA Hydrolycus Armatus

A perfectly designed sport fish, payara have speed, power, stamina, jumping ability and the meanest set of teeth in the animal kingdom.



MATRINXA Brycon Amazonicus

Caño Bocón is named after this species eagerly taking artificial lures and flies, Matrinxa are a perfect light tackle target.



SARDINATA

Incredibly beautiful fish resembling super sardines and fighting similar to tarpon, these fish can grow to 25 pounds and are specially abundant in this section of the Guaviare River.



BLACK PACU Piaractus brachypomus

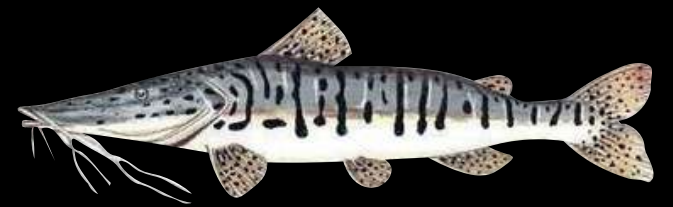
The seed dispenser of the Orinoco River these strong fish feed on fruits, seeds, nuts, fish, lizards, frogs and anything else it can get its mouth around.



SHOVELNOSE CATFISH

Pseudoplatystoma Faciatum

Characterized for its distinctive stripes, shovelnose catfish readily take cut and live bait, and every now and then, flies and lures.



THE AMAZON EXPERIENCE

Live with the Puinave Indians in a comfortable camp setup.

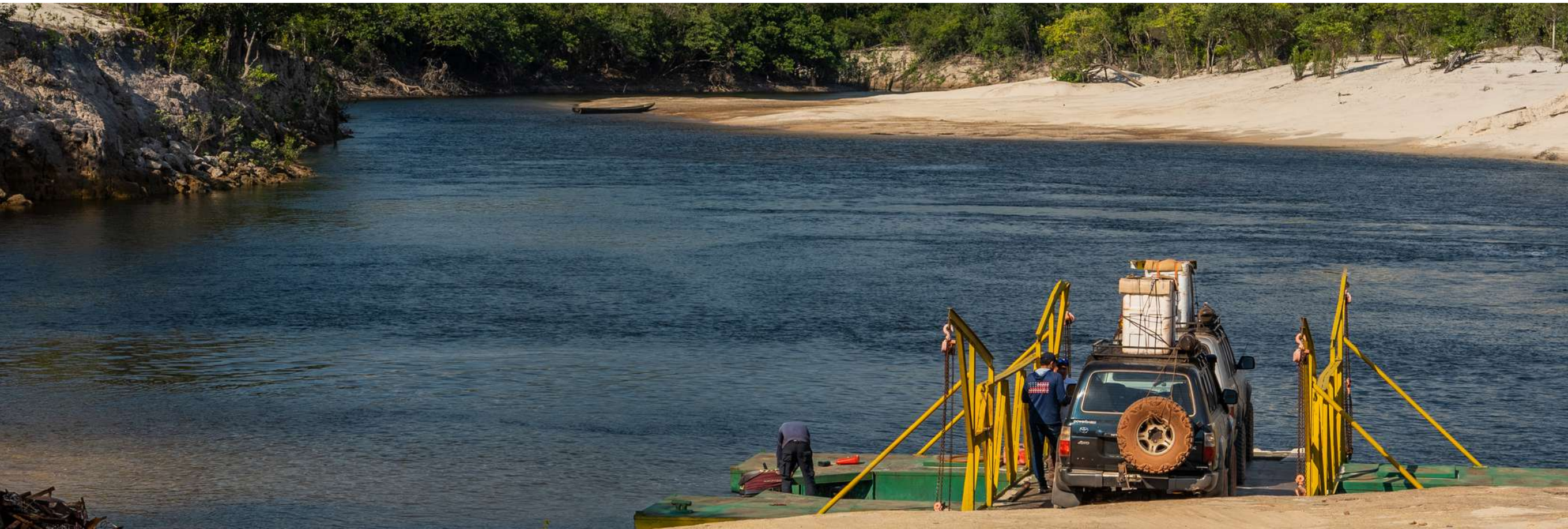


Woke up to flocks of macaws over an absolutely perfect sunrise.

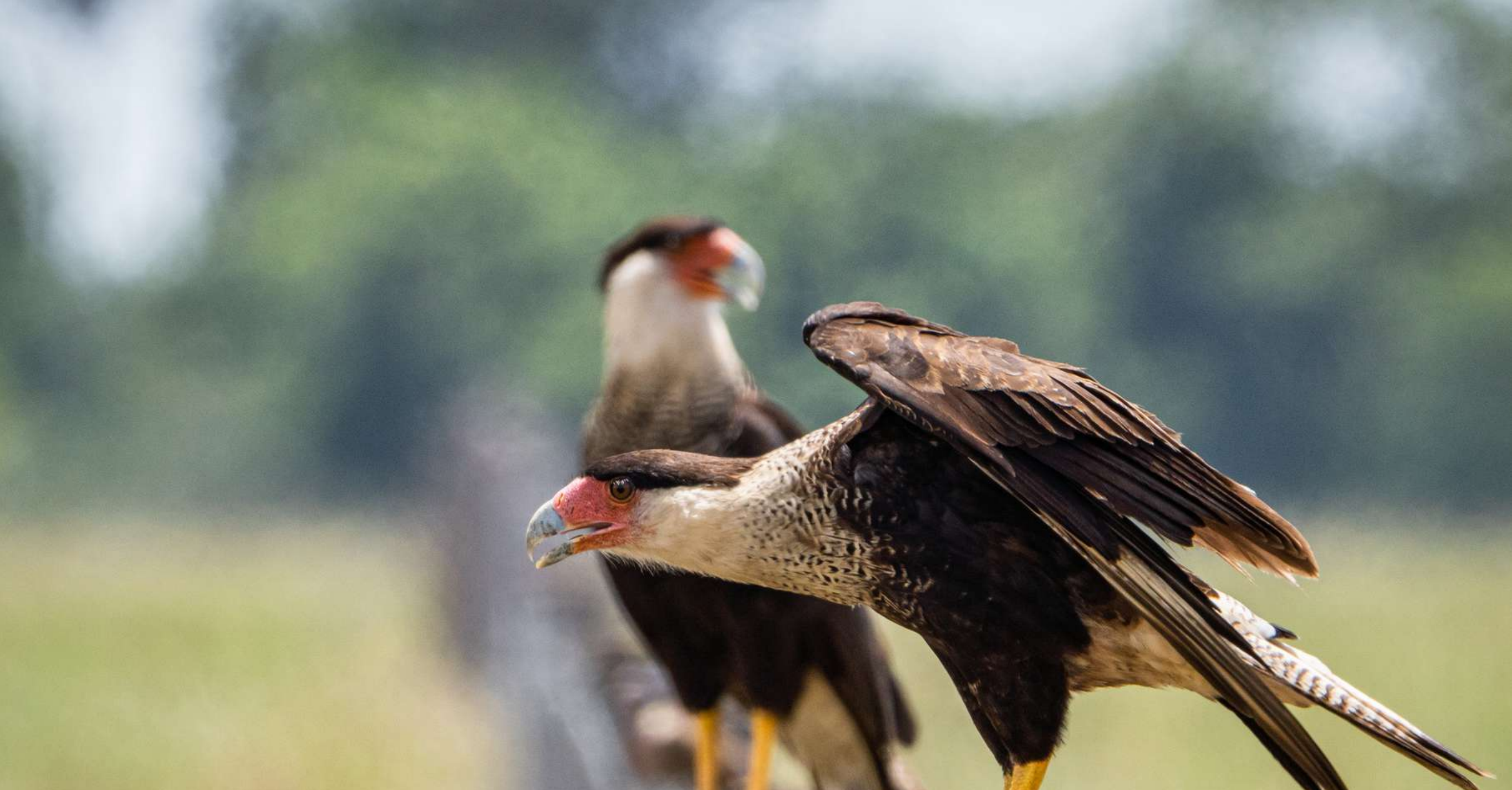
State of the art shing lodge on the Orinoco river and world class cabin tents and private bathrooms at our headwater camps.

Lets us show you what makes this part of the world so special.









WILDLIFE

The Amazon is the most biodiverse region in the planet. The entire river is a protected area with pristine rainforest.

Expect to run into wildlife during your stay including many iconic species like the Amazon river dolphin, tapirs, the green anaconda, giant otters and the elusive jaguar.



CONSERVATION AND
SUPPORT
TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITIES





To ensure this place is protected for future generations, it is essential local communities are also benefited through conservation.

This is why for every visiting angler we donate a fee to the Puinave community to aid the local conservation efforts





Fish Colombia organizes every December “El festival del Pavón” (The Peacock Bass Festival) to raise awareness of the beauty and richness of the local fauna among the children in the community.

Activities include classes teaching local mothers how to make traditional artwork, competitions of the best Peacock drawing among the children, planting saplings and banquet for the community.



LAST DAY

On the last day of the trip you will depart on a 3 hour 4x4 ride back to Puerto Carreño airport to y back to Bogota the same day.



World record Sardinata shing: during February to late March sardinata in excess of 8-14 pounds are a daily occurrence. All tackle World record is currently just 9 pounds. Hands down this is the best Sardinata shery on the planet.

A person wearing a light blue, long-sleeved button-down shirt and khaki pants is shown from the waist up. They are holding a fishing rod with both hands, and a fishing reel is visible on their back. The background is a blurred outdoor setting, likely a river or lake.

FISHING SEASON

December 1st to April 15th



TESTAMENTS
FISH COLOMBIA



Mention had long been made of the fact that some of the biggest peacock bass reside not in Brazilian waters, but in fact a number of water sheds within Colombia and Venezuela. When a friend mentioned the fact that he had a 'lead' for a possible trip to Colombia on a 'big fish river' with a real shot at a 20lb plus peacock, the decision was an easy one – 'I was in'.

Towards the end of 2015 the planning phase was complete – Beto was a great help, and of course the fact that he is perfectly bi-lingual helped hugely, both in the pre-trip planning and during our fishing adventure itself.

After fairly long travel schedules our party arrived firstly at the river and then later at camp with great spirits – the excitement heightened by the fact that Beto had already caught another 20lb plus peacock on topwater as he had arrived a day earlier than us to set up camp.

All too soon the six days fishing had passed; everyone had caught at least one 18-20 lb plus fish – the fact that Colombia has some 'special' peacock bass rivers was confirmed..! There was no need to fish jigs and other techniques to hit the trophy fish – they simply loved hitting topwater lures – a huge bonus. The average stamp of the fish was impressive – and although we did not catch 'huge numbers' of fish I would take quality over quantity any day.

Despite the fact that I have travelled extensively all over the world for fishing related exploits, I had a few reservations about visiting Colombia due to what you hear from the Western media, and its fairly 'colourful' past. Soon all this was forgotten – Colombia is a great place with friendly people, and I must say not once did we feel 'unsafe' on any part of the trip. In fact experiencing some of the local culture was a bonus over and above the fishing.

My advice would be to get across and Fish Colombia before 'the crowds' arrive. I have already booked a return trip and will be this time to have a shot at yet another river system and game fish species that Colombia has to offer.

Marc Towers





PRICE
PER ANGLER

7 DAYS EXPEDITION \$4500 USD +
700USD INDIGENOUS FEE

THIS PRICE
INCLUDES

2 nights at Marriott Courtyard in Bogota
(one night before the trip & one at the end)
Local Transfers
Domestic flights round trip
Full fishing days
Full meals starting with lunch in Puerto Carreño
Snacks, Beers and Soft Drinks
Professional and bilingual guide all the time
Basic Travel Insurance
Indigenous fee
High end camping gear

THIS PRICE
EXCLUDES

Fishing tackle
Tips *(recommended 10% of the total amount of the trip)*
First and last meals in Bogotá
Fishing license (currently not required)
International flights



IMPORTANT TRIP INFO

- Currency: Colombian Peso
- Please make sure you bring enough to settle extra expenses in town and tips. Tips can be done in Dollars but pesos is more convenient for the staff.
- No cell connection on the river but guests will have access to a satellite phone if an emergency arises.
- Tackle is not included but **rods and reels can be rented for 90 dollars a setup**
- All guest will be sent thorough tackle requirements in their pre trip information.
- **Wilderness camping:** While we strive to make the camp as comfortable as possible, guests are advised that this trip is aimed at the adventurous, with a bare minimum level of fitness required
- Local flights are operated by smaller airplanes, so checked-in luggage is **strictly limited to 15kg (30 pounds)** per person, with a carry-on allowance of 5kg (11 pounds).
- You can bring additional luggage, but it's essential that it doesn't exceed 30 pounds and **must be paid in cash** using the local currency (COP) directly to the airline at the airport.



TERMS AND CONDITIONS

INSURANCE: While basic travel insurance is included, it is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED that clients purchase Global Rescue insurance.

MEDICAL EVACUATIONS: It is important that clients have adequate travel and medical insurance that includes Medical Evacuation from point of Injury. Global Rescue offers the most comprehensive and inclusive insurance.

CANCELLATION PROCEDURE:

Cancellation by client: Notification of cancellation must be in writing and is effective as of the date it is received by Fish Colombia Expeditions. If a person cancels a tour and cannot find an immediate replacement:

- If Fish Colombia receives more than **180 days notice**, the deposit is forfeited unless the dates can be resold, in which case a 10% administrative fee will apply.
- If Fish Colombia receives between **179 and 91 days notice**, 70% of the tour costs are forfeited, unless the client can find a replacement, in which case a 10% administrative fee will apply.
- If Fish Colombia receives less than **90 days notice**, 100% of the tour costs are forfeited, unless the client can find a replacement, in which case a 15% administrative fee will apply.
- If you fail to join a tour, join after departure, or leave prior to its completion, **no refund whatsoever will be made.**



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