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# EXPLORING PUERTO MALDONADO: AMAZONIAN PARADISE

PRE-SLT EXPERIENCE

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# Schedule

Day	Excursions	Lodging	Meals
1 - Wed	Flight arriving in Puerto Maldonado	Puerto Maldonado	- / L / D
2 - Thu	Amazonian Adventure	Puerto Maldonado	B / L / D
3 - Fri	Lost Cocha's Wildlife Wonderland	Puerto Maldonado	B / L / D
4 - Sat	Transfer back to the airport	SLT Accommodation	B / - / -

## Overview

This is just a summary of the trip and no arrangements for services or hotel reservations have been made yet. Once the reservation is confirmed, all services will be available as guaranteed. The prices provided in the quotation are valid for one week from the date of the quotation, and their availability is subject to confirmation at the time of booking. Occasionally, minor adjustments to the tour program may be necessary due to factors like weather conditions, road conditions, flight schedules, and room availability. In such cases, the quoted rates may be adjusted accordingly.

## Highlights of the Trip

- **Wildlife Observation:** Discover diverse wildlife such as caimans, capybaras, giant otters, various primate species, and perhaps even jaguars and tapirs in their natural habitat.
- **Lake Apu Victor:** Lake Apu Victor offers panoramic views, colorful birds, and the chance to witness giant otters and other unique Amazonian species. Don't miss out on this unforgettable natural experience.
- **Lost Cocha:** Explore the virgin forest and cross well-preserved trails, to reach the spectacular Lost Cocha with its awe-inspiring biodiversity.
- **Monkey Island:** Visit Monkey Island and observe various primate species, along with other mammals and colorful birds. This tour offers a unique opportunity for wildlife enthusiasts.
- **Amazonian Culture:** This is the perfect chance to learn about the local Amazonian culture, including medicinal plants and their significance. Add culture and depth to your journey.
- **Sunset in the Jungle:** Experience a sunset in the jungle, surrounded by the sounds of nature. A tranquil and serene experience that allows for reflection and appreciation of the environment.
- **Rustic Lodge Accommodations:** Stay in comfortable bungalows within a rustic lodge in the heart of the rainforest. Guaranteed to provide an authentic and immersive Amazonian experience.

## Itinerary

DAY

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### Arrival To Puerto Maldonado

Welcome to Puerto Maldonado! You will be greeted by us at the airport and we will begin with a city tour on a comfortable bus. From there, we will proceed to Puerto Capitanía, the port where our riverboat eagerly awaits our arrival. We will embark on a captivating voyage across Rio Bajo Madre de Dios (Winding River), eventually arriving at our exquisite lodge located 30 km away from Puerto Maldonado City.

During our journey, you will have the opportunity to admire the picturesque rural landscapes where agricultural and livestock activities thrive in close proximity to the city. Get ready to witness a diverse array of fascinating animals such as capybaras, caimans, water turtles, herons, cormorants, carrion birds, and birds of prey.

Upon your arrival at our lodge, you will be escorted to your reserved, comfortable room (bungalow), especially arranged for this occasion. Once you're settled in, prepare yourself for a hearty lunch served in our cozy, rustic-style dining room.

#### CAIMAN COCHA

In the afternoon, our knowledgeable guide will accompany you along an interpretive trail, thoughtfully marked with signposts, leading to Caiman Cocha, a charming lagoon.

Upon returning to the lodge, a delectable dinner will await you. Afterward, you will have ample free time to create unforgettable memories at our bar, which is equipped with an excellent game room and an enticing selection of beverages.



**Overnight**  
EcoAmazonia Lodge

DAY

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## Amazonian Adventure

The songs of birds of paradise will wake you up, feeling renewed and rested for the day. Enjoy a hearty breakfast which will provide you energy for a morning full of new experiences.

### LAKE APU VICTOR

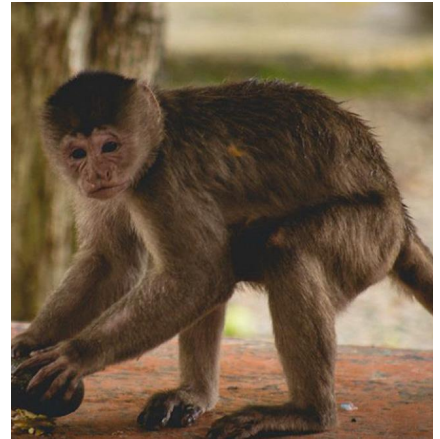
Following a nourishing breakfast, our adventure continues with an invigorating hike into the depths of the forest. Along the way, we will traverse the riverside, ascending from the lush high-elevation forests to the captivating floodable forests, and finally, reaching the majestic hills. Throughout this journey, prepare to encounter an awe-inspiring array of flora and fauna thriving in their natural habitat. With a bit of luck and maintaining peaceful silence, you may have the opportunity to observe large mammals such as the Brazilian tapir and the white-lipped peccary.

Our journey leads us to the magnificent Lake Apu Victor, surrounded by sprawling swamps and towering trees. We will ascend to an elevated Amazonian observation deck, granting you a breathtaking panoramic view of the lake.

Once we return to the lodge, a refreshing and delightful lunch will be awaiting your arrival.

### MONKEY ISLAND

In the afternoon, accompanied by our knowledgeable guide, we will embark on a short journey to Monkey Island, located in the heart of the Madre de Dios River and just a few minutes away from the lodge. This captivating island boasts a diverse range of lush flora and is home to numerous primate species, including the black spider monkey, black-cap capuchin monkey, squirrel monkey, and lion monkey. To conclude our visit to the island, we will witness the sunset, a truly remarkable spectacle in the heart of the jungle. Upon our return to the lodge, you will be treated to an exquisite dinner, a perfect way to complete this memorable day.



Overnight  
EcoAmazonia Lodge



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## Lost Cocha's Wildlife Wonderland

A hearty breakfast will be ready for you to provide you with the necessary energy for a morning full of new experiences.

### LOST COCHA

After enjoying a delicious breakfast, our thrilling adventure through the untouched virgin forest will commence, led by a knowledgeable local guide. Along the way, we will navigate temporary water courses known as tributaries, crossing them with the aid of well-maintained bridges.

The meandering rivers within the rainforest give rise to a remarkable array of wetland systems, lakes, ponds, and bends, culminating in beautiful features like the extraordinary Lost Cocha. These wetlands play a crucial ecological role by providing a haven for a wide diversity of rare and unique wildlife species, while also serving as vital habitats for numerous mammal species.

Once we reach the remarkable Lost Cocha, an immense observation platform awaits us, providing an elevated perspective to behold the wonders that surround us.

From this elevated vantage point, you will be treated to a grand view of the vast expanse that this enchanted place encompasses. Following this, we embark on a delightful stroll around the captivating Lost Cocha, where, if you're lucky, you may encounter the "giant otter" or *Pteronura brasiliensis*, the largest of its kind and truly one of the most remarkable creatures in the entire Amazon region.

As we return to the lodge, a delectable lunch awaits. During the afternoon, you will have leisure time to capture stunning photographs around the lodge, while also having the opportunity to visit our botanical garden. As night falls, enjoy a delicious dinner, followed by the option to indulge in the bar and game room, where fun-filled entertainment awaits those who are still awake and ready for more enjoyment.



Overnight  
EcoAmazonia Lodge



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### Transfer Back To The Airport

The singing birds of paradise will wake you up one more time, and the powerful roar of the howler monkey will warn you that you are still in its territory and that it is time to leave. In our dining room, a delicious breakfast will await you before going back to Puerto Maldonado.



## Pricing

Prices below are per person, based on a group of at least 11 people. Trips with fewer than 10 people can be arranged upon request and will require updated prices.

Price per person	Private services
Twin accommodation	\$498.00 USD
Single accommodation	\$610.00 USD

## Important Notes

- We recommend arriving in Puerto Maldonado until 1pm maximum for the transfer from the airport to our Lodge. Our boats depart from port to the hostel around 1.30 pm.
- The departure from the Lodge to the city is at 7:00 am, it takes 02 hours on the Madre River of God to reach the city of Puerto Maldonado, so the departure flight must be from 11:00 am.
- Only hand luggage is allowed to be brought to the Lodge and large luggage will be stored in the Puerto Maldonado office.
- There is no telephone or WIFI signal in the Lodge to avoid inconveniences.

Other important details:

- This extension can be a pre Service learning trip experience or a post Service learning trip experience.
- The average temperature at Puerto Maldonado is 30° C / 86° F

### For a comfortable trip, we recommend you bring:

- Layers of clothing (t-shirt, long sleeves, sweater, jacket)
- Rain protection (for the afternoons)
- Hat or cap
- Good walking shoes (no sandals)
- Sunscreen (at least SPF 30), even if it is overcast
- Camera
- Face mask
- Insect repellent



## Included

- ✓ Shuttle service from/to airport
- ✓ All meals
- ✓ Accommodation in comfortable traditional double bungalows
- ✓ All trips/excursions with a specialized guide

## Not Included

- ✗ Tips
- ✗ Personal expenses
- ✗ Domestic flights