

## DESCRIPTION – AMAZON JUMA LODGE



### LOCATION

Juma Amazon Lodge is located in a remote and untouched region 100 km (62 miles) southeast of Manaus. It can be reached in approximately three hours by vans and boats (during the trip we pass through the Meeting of the Waters and, on the way back, also by the Pirarucu Floating Dock). The trip can be made by hydroplane (30 minutes) upon request.

### ACCOMMODATION

Juma features 19 intimate bungalows seamlessly nestled into the lush surroundings of the Amazon Rainforest. In order to accommodate the water levels of the wet season (often rising up to 15 meters, or 49 feet), the property was built on stilts upon solid ground resting at treetop level. The lodge is entirely eco-friendly in design and construction. All materials used in its construction are native and found abundantly in the region, carefully extracted from the surrounding area. Both the construction and the architectural style of the lodge reflect the techniques employed by Amazon River natives when building their own homes. Juma Lodge is rustic yet beautiful, offering guests an optimized blend of authenticity and comfort. The lodge's footprint is minimalist, yet elegant in concept. Six of our bungalows offer views of the surrounding forest, 12 are riverfront (one of them is bigger, accommodating families) and one is panoramic. All bungalows have private bathrooms with hot water solar systems, porches with hammocks and ceiling fans ideal for the Amazonian night, which tends to be far cooler than Manaus.

#### River View Bungalows

Located in a more secluded and exclusive area of the lodge, our river view bungalows are nestled into the canopy of the trees, reaching 15 meters (49 ft) above the ground during dry season. Ensuring the utmost level of privacy, the river view bungalows were designed to be fully integrated into the forest. Between them, the river view family bungalow can accommodate up to four people.

#### Restaurant

The restaurant, specializing in both local and international cuisine, offers its guests an exceptional view of the Juma River. Served buffet style, the menu is constantly changing and offers a great variety of flavors.

#### Lobby

Juma's lobby is home to the lodge's bar, where guests can entertain themselves with board and table games, books pertaining to the Amazon, painting materials and a professional telescope designed for moon and star observation.

#### Hammock House

The hammock house is widely used by guests to rest and reflect after meals or after a day of jungle exploration.

#### Decks

Juma features two decks: a floating one, ideal for swimming in the river and sunbathing, and another one built on stilts located directly in front of the lobby and showcasing excellent views of the river.

## River Pool

Juma's river pool was thought to be as authentic as possible, allowing full interaction with the river. Around it, it is possible to sunbathe and enjoy a small bar.

## Museum

We opened a museum to offer our guests more content and information about the Amazon Rainforest: its fauna, flora, customs, legends, among others.

## Tapiri

"Tapiri" is an indigenous name for a hut. Although inside our property, it is located 10 minutes away from the hotel itself, serving as a base for tours, lunches and even overnight stays in the forest.

## WEATHER

Our proximity to the Equator (we are at latitude 03oS) ensures year-round warm weather at the lodge, with an average annual temperature of 27°C (80°F). While the Amazon region is great to visit anytime of year, it is home to two distinct seasons:

FLOOD SEASON occurs from March to August, when the water level rises to 15 meters (49 ft). This is the ideal moment to see the lush, flooded lands, known as igapó, in all of their glory.

DRY SEASON occurs from September to February when the level of the rivers reaches its lowest point, crowding the fish together and making them easier to catch for both animal predators and fishermen. You are also more likely to spot caymans.

## SUSTAINABILITY

With an unmatched location in one of the most pristine and untouched areas of the Amazon Rainforest, Juma Amazon Lodge develops its activities in accordance with the principles of sustainability, implementing actions aimed to achieve ecological, sociocultural and economic sustainability. We believe that the least we can do is to help maintain and protect our greatest asset: the forest itself! The lodge has implemented various measures to minimize environmental hazards, such as:

- Photovoltaic Sola
- Energy Solar Water Heating
- Sewage Treatment
- Recycling and Waste Management Center Staff from the Community
- Educational Lectures
- Act of Solidarity (donation of books, clothes and toys)
- Participation in Charity Auctions

## IMPORTANT INFORMATIONS

Juma is located in a black water region, so there are almost no mosquitoes there.

All bills accumulated at the lobby bar must be paid in cash. The bar does not accept credit cards. As space is limited, we ask guests not to bring more than 10 kg of luggage per person.

It is important to bring swimsuits, tennis shoes, long pants, hat, sun block, insect repellent, raincoat, flashlight and binoculars.

## ACTIVITIES

Juma Amazon Lodge offers different activities in the Amazon region and most of them are already included in the packages. All the activities are led by a guide.

## Meeting of the Waters

En route to Juma, we stop to observe the magnificent Meeting of the Waters, where the muddy waters of the Solimões River meet the black waters of the Negro River. At this crucial junction point, the two rivers – with different speeds, temperatures and consistencies – run side by side for several kilometers without actually

mixing, ultimately joining to form the great Amazon River. Passengers will feel the difference in temperature between the two distinct rivers.

Included in all packages.

### **Canoing**

Our canoeing tour provides an in depth / up close exploration of the igarapés (Amazonian creeks) and the igapós (flooded forest), an experience made possible only by paddle canoes. During the excursion, guests are encouraged to swim and may encounter some of the river's most majestic creatures: pink dolphins.

Included in all packages.

### **Cayman Spotting**

We depart on an evening expedition to observe frogs, birds and most importantly, caymans. Our guide uses his flashlight to help spot caymans. With this light, we can see the cayman's eyes, which reflects a bright red dot, as the animal remains paralyzed and clearly visible. The guide is then able to bring the cayman aboard for participants to see. Afterward, the cayman is returned to the river, unharmed.

Included in all packages.

### **Sunrise in the Amazon**

An unforgettable experience. Early in the morning we leave for a sunrise excursion where participants will observe the acute and mesmerizing change in the sky's color and the sounds of the waking birds. Our guides are equipped with binoculars in order to complement this experience with ample bird watching.

Included in all packages.

### **Jungle Hike**

In this educational jungle walk, our expert guide will introduce you to the wildlife of the Amazon. He will show you plants and describe their uses, as many are edible or medicinal. The paths implemented in exploration walks are constantly changed to avoid damaging the forest with overuse.

Included in all packages (except the Jaçanã package).

### **Piranha Fishing**

We will board a motorboat to fish and learn more about the infamous piranha as well as other Amazonian fishes. Fishing is easier in the dry season as the fish cannot hide in the flooded areas as they tend to do in the wet season. After fishing, we will stop to see water lilies. We will return to the lodge during sunset, which usually provides some of the most stunning views the Amazon has to offer.

Included in all packages (except the Jaçanã package).

### **Lecture**

Enjoy the insight of one of our highly trained and skilled local guides as he gives an informal lecture on everyday life in the Amazon, local tales and legends, and the overall culture of the region.

Included in all packages (except the Jaçanã package).

### **Jungle Hike with Picnic in the Jungle**

After hiking, we will stop in a captivating area of the forest to eat lunch (regional cuisine baked over a fire) and subsequently rest in hammocks, as the natives do.

Included in Mutum, Tucano and Uirapuru packages.

### **Visiting Local Inhabitants**

An Amazonian native will share his knowledge regarding traditional medicinal plants and will demonstrate, among other things, how manioc flour, one of the region's principal exports and drivers of the economy, is prepared.

Included in Mutum, Tucano and Uirapuru packages.

### **Pirarucu Floating Dock**

The Pirarucu (Arapaima Gigas), known as the "giant" of freshwater fish, is a species that can grow to over 3 meters (9.8 ft) in length and weigh in at up to 200 kg (440 lbs). On our return from Juma, passengers will stop at the Pirarucu Floating Dock and have the chance to feed these giant fish and observe their impressive strength.

Included in all packages.

### Pink Dolphins

In cooperation with a floating platform in Negro River, we can offer close interaction with pink dolphins.

Not included in the packages (it is an extra service).

### Visiting an Indigenous Tribe

We will visit the Dessana tribe, of Tucana language, where it is possible to visit their huts and watch a music and dance typical show.

Not included in the packages (it is an extra service).

### Janauari

The Lake Janauari is a prime area where we can find a significant amount of water lilies. We offer lunch there, in the restaurants by the river.

Not included in the packages (it is an extra service).

### Hydroplane

In cooperation with Seaplane Tours, we offer you a transfer to the lodge by hydroplane, where you can appreciate the Amazon from a high point. The transfer, shorter than our regular transfer (boats and cars), takes approximately 30 minutes.

Not included in the packages (it is an extra service).

## PACKAGES

The activities are organized through packages, that are subject to change based on weather and other unforeseen conditions.

ACTIVITIES	PACKAGES	
	Arara (2 nights)	Mutum (3 nights)
Meeting of the Waters	X	X
Canoeing	X	X
Cayman Spotting	X	X
Sunrise Excursion	X	X
Jungle Hike	X	X
Piranha Fishing	X	X
Lecture	X	X
Jungle Hike with Picnic		X
Visiting Local Inhabitants		X
Pirarucu Floating Dock	X	X

### Arara (2 nights)

#### Day 1

07:30am – Departure from Manaus (with pick up either at airport or Manaus hotel). En route to the lodge we will visit the Meeting of the Waters.

11:00am – Arrival at Juma Amazon Lodge and greeting & reception with welcome drink.

12:00pm – Lunch.

03:00pm – Canoeing.

07:00pm – Dinner.

08:00pm – Cayman spotting.

\* Juma also offers an afternoon pick up in Manaus which departs from the Manaus airport or from Juma Opera Hotel at approximately 1:30pm. For those arriving via afternoon transfer, lunch and canoe tour are not offered. Guests with flights arriving into Manaus after 1:30pm will stay in a city hotel and will be picked up for the early morning transfer the following day.



## Day 2

05:00am – Sunrise.  
07:00am – Breakfast.  
08:30am – Jungle hike.  
12:00pm – Lunch.  
03:00pm – Piranha fishing.  
07:00pm – Dinner.  
08:00pm – Lecture.

## Day 3

07:00am – Breakfast.  
08:30am – Return to Manaus with a stop at the Pirarucu Floating Dock.  
12:00pm – Arrive in Manaus: guests may be dropped off at the airport or at any Manaus hotel.

## Mutum (3 nights)

### Day 1

07:30am – Departure from Manaus (with pick up either at airport or Manaus hotel). En route to the lodge we will visit the Meeting of the Waters.  
11:00am – Arrival at Juma Amazon Lodge and greeting & reception with welcome drink.  
12:00pm – Lunch.  
03:00pm – Canoeing.  
07:00pm – Dinner.  
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### Day 3

07:00am – Breakfast.  
09:00am – Jungle hike with picnic in the jungle.  
03:00pm – Visit to local community residents.  
07:00pm – Dinner.

### Day 4

07:00am – Breakfast.  
08:30am – Return to Manaus with a stop at the Pirarucu Floating Dock.  
12:00pm – Arrive in Manaus: guests may be dropped off at the airport or at any Manaus hotel.

## SPECIAL RATE FOR CONGRESSORS

TYPE	RATES PER PERSON	
	Arara Package – 2 nights	Mutum Package – 3 nights
River View Bungalow		
Single	R\$ 4.062,00	R\$ 5.297,00
Double	R\$ 3.009,00	R\$ 3.924,00
Triple	R\$ 2.557,00	R\$ 3.335,00