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**BRAZIL PEACOCK BASS FISHING
RIO MARIE RIVER
BRAZIL**

*Sample itinerary prepared for the Tight Lines group
November 1-10, 2017
Lodge dates November 2-9, 2017*

**Wednesday
November 1**

5:30 PM

Depart Miami via American Airlines commercial air service to Manaus, Brazil. *Flight times on the itinerary are subject to change.*

10:48 PM

Arrive Manaus. Arrive at the Manaus International Airport.



Guests will be greeted by their English speaking representative/transfer driver. They will arrange for transfers to the **Caesar Business Hotel**. You and another angler will be put up in a Double Occupancy room at the hotel for the night (included in the trip package). The transfer staff will let you know when they will pick you up at the hotel the next morning, to take you to the charter airport. They will also collect the Native Community Fee (\$670) from you at this time and you will receive a receipt.

It is best to arrive Manaus earlier, rather than later on Tuesday – this helps buffer you against possible airline delays into Manaus. This is important as there is only one charter flight a week to the Rio Marie, departing early Wednesday morning. Booking your arrival to Manaus too close to this charter flight time could prove highly problematic – if you arrive too late for it, getting your own private charter flight would be enormously expensive, if not impossible. Quite a few people opt to come in a day early – on Monday – as this virtually eliminates this potential problem. It costs an additional hotel night, but for many it is worth it, for the peace of mind.

Balance of the day at leisure in Manaus, meals independently arranged. Overnight accommodations at the **Caesar Business Hotel** with complimentary breakfast included.

**Thursday
November 2**



After breakfast at the hotel, the transfer driver will pick the group up around 7:00 am, and head to a local airport to board one of two amphibious float-equipped Cessna Grand Caravan charter flights to the river. The charter flight duration is approximately 4 hours (and be forewarned, it is a small plane with no on-board bathroom). The *Untamed Amazon* will be anchored and waiting for you. Upon arrival, you will be shown to your stateroom, and then greeted upstairs in the comfortable lounge where you will meet the guides and fishing team. After a cold drink and lunch, anglers will have a brief explanation of the daily fishing plans and schedule about the yacht. You'll have a chance to get situated in your suite, and prepare tackle for the next day's fishing. Dinner served at appx. 8 pm and overnight.

**Friday - Wednesday
November 3-8**

6 full days of fishing. Each day teams of two anglers fish one of the beats in the Marié River (including tributaries and lagoons), with one professional English-speaking fly fishing guide and a local Indian guide, in brand new, specially designed fishing boats. These wide-bodied, 20-foot boats have two casting platforms (one at



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**Thursday
November 9**



11:48 PM

Depart Manaus via American Airlines commercial air service to Miami.
This flight typically departs around 12:00 AM

**Friday
November 10**

5:16 AM

Arrive Miami. Clear immigrations and customs and make your flight connection homeward.

Depart Miami via commercial air service to your final destination.

either end of the boat so both anglers can fish at the same time), a center console, and are powered by 90hp, 4-stroke motors, as well as remote-control electric motors.

Typical Day:

6:00 am - Coffee is hot

7:00 am – Breakfast is served

8:00 am - Head to fishing grounds

12:00 pm to 1:00 pm - Anglers will have a picnic style lunch on the river.

1:00 pm - After lunch, fishing will resume until late afternoon when the guides will deliver anglers back to the yacht around 6pm. Every day the yacht will be moved, and anchored in a new and different location

6:30 pm - Cocktails and appetizers

8:00 pm - Dinners will be served inside the *Untamed Amazon's* air-conditioned dining room area along with regional Argentinean wines

In the morning, the group will have a leisurely breakfast and a couple of hours to relax and finish packing while waiting for the arrival of the float planes at appx. 11:00 am. They will drop off the incoming group and transfer your group back to Manaus. The plane will usually stop in Tefe (about an hour's flight) to refuel before continuing on to Manaus, arriving back in Manaus in the late afternoon.

Most anglers will be departing on the late night flight departing Manaus for Miami at around midnight.

**Please remember, if purchasing your own flights, that the flight date may be October 27 if the flight will depart after 12:00 am.*

Your staff driver will deliver you to the Caesar Business Hotel if you choose to rent a day room and meet you later for transfer to the International Airport.

2017 RATES: Season dates are mid-September to mid-December

8-night / 6-day Angling Package – Double occupancy / Shared guide: \$7,325.00 per angler

Rate Includes: All charter flights, boat transfers, and all necessary ground transfers / One overnight at the Caesar Business Hotel in Manaus on arrival, double occupancy / Guide-operated 21-foot, fully equipped shallow draft skiffs per two anglers / Fishing licenses / All lodging and meals onboard *Untamed Amazon*, including wine, beer and spirits / Daily laundry and maid service onboard *Untamed Amazon*





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Rate does not include: International air fare / Brazilian visa / Indian Association Fee (\$670/angler & \$435 non-angler) / Tips and gratuities for camp staff and guides / Food and beverages in Manaus and any private city tours / Airport departure tax / Satellite phone calls (\$5/minute) / Extra hotel overnights, if needed / Flies (the floating lodge has some flies for sale, at \$9 each)

MANDATORY YELLOW FEVER VACCINATION CERTIFICATE:

A Yellow Fever Vaccination Certificate is required to enter in any Indian Territory in Brazil. It's a Government Regulation to protect Indians. All anglers must bring within their travel documents their vaccine certificates. Our host will take copies to send to the National Indian Institution (FUNAI).

NATIVE COMMUNITY FEE:

This Project was based as a long term social project which supports the preservation of the Indian Culture by improving their quality of life. The Rio Marié River has formed an association (ACIBRN) and board to protect their interests moving forward. This association includes representatives from all 14 Indian communities. The project has a significant user fee on all visiting anglers. The funds from the fee will primarily be used for social projects, infrastructure development, transportation, and medical and education projects.

The fee will be \$670 per person for the trip. The tax will be payable in (Cash \$USD) to our representative at your arrival in Manaus and goes directly to the Indian Association Account and anglers will receive a receipt from the Association. This fee represents an important step in the continuing effort to protect our ability to continue to share this amazing and unique part of the world.

RIO MARIE' HIGH WATER POLICY:

Fishing for peacock bass in the Amazon jungle represents one of the last frontiers in the fly fishing world. As with any such hyper-remote destinations, there can be challenges associated with offering a first-class experience in the 'back of beyond'. In the Amazon, water level conditions will, on occasion, present such challenges. The Amazon River annual water level cycles are not a simple equation, even for the most experienced local experts. Normally, high and low water levels here follow a fairly predictable monthly cycle, but climate changes and the effects of stronger or weaker El Nino and La Nina cycles can directly and immediately affect those levels. Specifically, these EL Nino and La Nina events tend to impact the amount of rain in the headwaters of Amazon rivers, which in turn effects the entire Amazon basin. Water levels are important when fishing for peacock bass, and understanding how to work around them is a key component to success. Low water does not always result in the best fishing, just as high water is not always the worst thing. More important is to understand where and how to fish as the water fluctuates. The Rio Marie system has more than 650 kilometers of rivers, tributaries and lagoons from its headwaters down to its merging with the Rio Negro. This unique and extensive water system allows for incomparable flexibility; the yacht and anglers can move up or downstream throughout the season - every week or even daily - to reach the best water levels in which to find trophy fish. This is useful when mitigating less than ideal water conditions. Though the Rio Marie season has been chosen to coincide with the best water conditions annually, it's difficult to predict water levels, and this is one of the risks associated with fishing the Amazon.

If you are not comfortable with the risk of the river levels being too high or low during your trip, then it is probably not the trip for you. You will not be refunded for water conditions that may not meet your expectations. In the event the water is too high to fish on any given week, Rio Marie will re-schedule your week to a later time, but will not refund your trip payment.

