

EXPEDITION TO THE AMAZON RAINFOREST



Hurtigruten Cruises

18 DAYS / 17 NIGHTS

This incredible expedition combines sensations of both tropical beaches and metropolitan city life with excursions into the Amazon rainforest. Your journey begins in Montevideo, Uruguay, and continues north along the coast of Brazil. Later, you will set sail on the Amazon River to Manaus, offering you a fantastic opportunity to learn about the country and its unique and impressive lush climate and diverse, fascinating history.

<p>FROM \$ 8025 per person</p>	<p>THIS CRUISE INCLUDES: 18 Days Accommodations</p>	<p>HIGHLIGHTS Montevideo Itajaí Santos Salvador Fortaleza Amazon River Santarem Manaus</p>
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ITINERARY EXPEDITION TO THE AMAZON RAINFOREST (NORTHBOUND)



Day 1 **MONTEVIDEO**

Spend the night in Montevideo, the Uruguayan capital. The MS Fram does not depart until the following afternoon, so you have the entire night to dine and meet locals in the city.



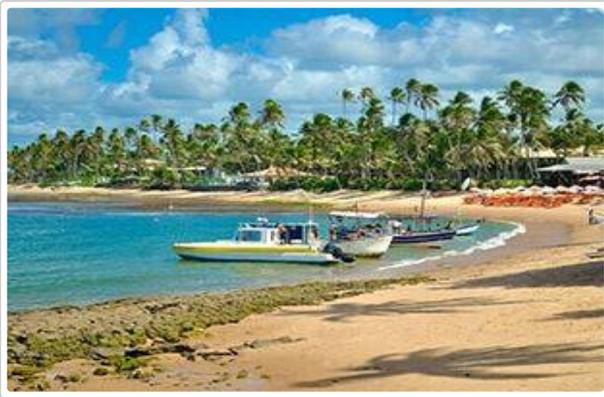
Day 2 **MONTEVIDEO & DEPARTURE**

In the afternoon, the MS Fram will set sail into the open waters of the Atlantic Ocean. When you leave Rio de la Plata, you will notice that it is an attractive shipping route, allowing you to spot vessels from all over the world.



Day 3 **AT SEA**

Explore the ship and meet other passengers as you sail along the open waters. The cruise ship deck allows you to experience the tropical temperatures and offers informational lectures from the Expedition Team.



Day 4 - Day 6 **ITAJAÍ & SANTOS**

Itajaí is a mix of modern and historical elements. Spanning over 140 years of history, there are plenty of buildings in Itajaí, Brazil, that are declared historic heritage sites. Visit the Public Market, the Itajaí History Museum, and the House of Culture.

Next, visit Santos. Santos hosts one of the largest seaports in Latin America and encourages you to take a walk along its four-mile stretch of beach and lush promenades. Check out the Aquarium and the Orchid Garden with Zoo and Botanical Park. Or stop by the Dock Museum and the Coffee Stock Exchange to learn about the important role that coffee has played since the 19th century. To top off your busy day, visit the handicraft market for unique Brazilian souvenirs that you can bring home for friends and family.



Day 7 - Day 8

AT SEA

Take some time to reflect during these two days at sea. Sip custom made cocktails on the open deck, or attend some of the lectures that are provided by the talented Expedition Team.



Day 9

SALVADOR

The state of Bahia is full of culture. With an indigenous history dating back to 1549, Pelourinho, the historic center, has been deemed a UNESCO World Heritage Site. You can see Portuguese colonial architecture and numerous churches here. Due to Salvador, once being a center for the slave trade, the music, religion, and cuisine has been influenced by Africa. You will experience the difference of cuisine by their use of dendà oil, coconut milk, and groundnuts.



Day 10 - Day 11

AT SEA

Embrace your peaceful time onboard as you continue your expedition to the Amazon. You might just experience a tropical rain shower!



Day 12

FORTALEZA

Fortaleza is Brazil's fifth-largest city, giving you plenty of things to do and see. While you're here, experience Centro, the oldest part of the city. Walk along the busy streets full of small stores and local restaurants. Indulge in the typical Brazilian food in one of the barracas (rustic restaurants) with beachside views. For history and art enthusiasts, check out the old fortress built in 1649 and Fortaleza's Cathedral, the third-biggest church in Brazil.



Day 13 - Day 15

AT SEA

Join the expedition team for more lectures, or cozy up in your cabin for some peace and quiet.



Day 16

SANTARÉM

After three days on board, you may start to experience cabin fever, making today a perfect day for strolling along the waterfront in Santarém. Here you will see where the murky brown Amazon meets the dark blue-green Rio Tapajós. Like many cities, there is a pleasant part of this town and a more gritty side near the port. Santarém is the perfect starting point for several activities. The beautiful Tapajós Natural Forest offers many hiking trails and canoes for rent. You can also choose to explore the vast Amazon rainforest.



Day 17

AMAZON RIVER

The fierce Amazon River surrounds the Amazon rainforest, home to more than one-third of the world's animal species. As you cruise this river, you will have a first-hand experience to the untamed rainforest and its exponential biodiversity.



Day 18

MANAUS

Manaus is where our voyage comes to an end. The capital of the state is located in the middle of the rainforest and is also known as the gateway to the jungle. Continue to your own adventure, or make your way back home.

