



**Idaho Angler Hosted Trip:  
Royal Amazon Lodge**

**23 November – 2 December, 2007**

**Hosts: Rick & Shauna Williams**

\$4000.00 per person,

*plus round trip flight from  
Boise to Brazil (~\$1,000).*

*Group size: 12 anglers*

*6 days guided fishing*

*7 nights lodging*



Join Idaho Angler owners Rick and Shauna Williams and Don and Joy Knickrehm for the trip of a lifetime to northern Brazil and the Agua Boa River where we'll fish for three different species of peacock bass in clear water streams, observe a diversity of Amazon basin wildlife, and be pampered at one of the finest lodges available.

**Royal Amazon Lodge Fishing:**

The Royal Amazon Lodge on the Agua Boa River is the Amazon's first flyfishing only Peacock Bass lodge. The lodge is located on a small clear water tributary of the Amazon and is protected in an ecotourism reserve that prohibits commercial fishing. Sportfishing is allowed on a catch and release basis.

The fishery on the Agua Boa is well suited to flyfishing. We'll be fishing for three species of peacock bass on the Agua Boa: the butterfly, spotted and temensis. The Butterfly Peacock is the most numerous in the system. They range from 2lbs to 8lbs and are great fighters that often jump. The Spotted and Temensis Peacock are totally different beasts. These two species are the largest of the peacocks and can attain weights of 25lbs. They are some of the most aggressive gamefish on the planet and often wander in schools of up to 40 fish, feeding together and working bait like jacks or bluefish.



While peacock bass will be our main target, we'll also encounter other gamefish including arowana, pacu, and pirarucu. The Arowana looks and acts a lot like a tarpon. They average 6lbs to 10lbs, have huge scales, and due to their hard mouths are hard to hook and land. Pacu, also known as the silver dollar, are a fun fish and can reach weights of 10lbs. They are shaped like permit and can be taken on trout patterns. Pirarucu, the giant tarpon of the Amazon, reach weights well in excess of 200lbs. These fish look and act a lot like tarpon, but are so smart that at the lodge they have not landed more than a handful of them. It is tough to describe the excitement of seeing them



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and trying to manage a cast to one.

### **Royal Amazon Lodge Guide Staff and Fishing Program:**

The Brazilian guide staff takes anglers up and down the 77 miles of private water in 18ft John boats powered by 40 horse Yamaha's with attached jet units. The boats are equipped with casting platforms on the front and middle areas as well as a poling platform for the guide. Each morning we'll depart the lodge for our specified beat of the river. During the lunch break the guides will be happy to hang soft cotton hammocks under trees for us to rest in. It is a nice way to rest in the hottest part of the day. Our fishing will not suffer as the mid-day heat generally makes the fish spooky and unreceptive however if we want to fish through the day without a break, just ask your guide. Typically, anglers will fish until 5:00-6:00PM and then return to the lodge for a swim, drinks and dinner. Optional night time activities such as boat based game viewing and spear fishing or conventional fishing for giant red tailed catfish are available at an additional cost.



### **Royal Amazon Lodge Accommodation:**

The Royal Amazon Lodge is located in one of the Amazon Rainforest's last remaining tracts of uncut and uninhabited rainforest. The lodge provides fishermen with a level of comfort, friendly service, and sense of privacy in the rainforest that will at make anyone feel at home. Of course, one look out the window at Rex, the 18-foot black caiman waiting on the white sand beach in front of camp, and you will know immediately that you are someplace far from home.



Guests stay in private air-conditioned bungalows with two queen sized beds, a sitting area, private bathroom with oversized sunflower shower heads and a porch overlooking the Agua Boa River. The lodge itself features a swimming pool, entertainment room, dining room, outdoor eating area, bar, and satellite phone. Each room has a refrigerator well stocked with bottled water, soda, and beer. The filtered tap water is fine for showering and tooth brushing, but we recommend that that clients stick to the bottled water for drinking.

### **Royal Amazon Lodge Climate:**

Temperatures range from the mid-80s to the mid-90s. Humidity varies and can be high especially after rain showers, which can and do occur throughout the season. Insects are not a big issue and repellent is not often needed, but white socks can be annoying during the last 45 minutes of light in the evening around the pool.

### **Royal Amazon Lodge Clothing:**

Long sleeved, collared, quick dry nylon and cotton shirts, as well as quick dry shorts and pants, sun-gloves, wide brimmed hat with ear protection, lightweight rain gear, and a swimsuit. We recommend bringing several pairs of socks along, as they are great to wear when fishing from the boat as you can tell when you are stepping on your line and you are getting some protection from the sun. Flat boots or wading sandals are also recommended for wade fishing and the hikes from



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the main river to isolated jungle lakes.

**Royal Amazon Lodge Currency:**

US dollars are all that is needed. Checks or credit cards are NOT accepted.

**Royal Amazon Lodge Gratuities:**

We suggest a tip of \$300-\$500 per person per week. This is left to the discretion of the angler, and is only a rough guideline for planning purposes. The lodge manager will collect the tips at the end of the week and distribute them to the entire staff appropriately.

**Royal Amazon Power and Communications:**

The rooms have 110 outlets and the lodge has 220 outlets. The lodge also has a satellite phone (outgoing calls only) that will be charged at a rate of \$4 per minute.

**Royal Amazon Lodge Travel:**

To get to the Royal Amazon Lodge you will need to make travel arrangements to and from Manaus, Brazil. The lodge week runs from Saturday to Saturday. You should plan on flying to Miami, FL on Friday and then taking the 8:50 PM flight to Manaus that will have you arriving very early Saturday morning. Please ensure that you arrive in Miami at least three hours before your 8:50 PM flight. In Brazil, you will be met outside of customs by a member of the Royal Amazon team who will help you catch your charter flight to the lodge. The following Saturday you will take a charter flight back to Manaus and stay at the Tropical Hotel (arranged by the outfitter, but not included in the price of the trip). You should plan on departing Manaus on Sunday at noon. Your flights home should be scheduled for 8PM or later.

Please Note: We highly recommend that all anglers call Christine at Tweedsmuir Travel (800-515-8998 or 250-799-5638) to make their travel arrangements. Please mention that you will be heading to the Agua Boa with Sweetwater Travel and Fly Water Travel.

**Royal Amazon Lodge Documentation:**

You must have a valid Visa to enter Brazil. We recommend that you use G3 Visas for this process. To apply simply go to [www.g3visas.com](http://www.g3visas.com) and follow the instructions. If you have any questions during this process please call G3 directly at 888-883-8472. Note: You must enter Brazil within 90 days of the issue date on your visa.

**Inoculations:**

While there are no mandatory inoculations for the trip it is always a good idea to be current with tetanus and hepatitis. While some anglers opt for anti-malarial meds, Jeff Vermillion, who co-owns the camp and spends more than two months there annually, does not get any shots before departure. For a conservative opinion please check out [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov). Note: malaria has not been an issue in this specific region of Brazil.

**2007 Season including Fall of 2006 Rates:**

\$4400 per person per week (*Idaho Angler trip rate is \$4000 per person*).

**Included:**

Lodging at the Royal Amazon, optional houseboat, beer, wine, and in-country transfers.

**Not Included**

Gratuities, international airfare, Brazilian visa, satellite telephone calls, flies, liquor, or airport taxes.



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## Itinerary

**Friday, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>:**

Depart Miami in the evening.

**Saturday, Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>:**

Arrive Manaus:

**Sunday – Friday:**

Full days fishing the river channel, inland lakes and lagoons  
After breakfast, transfer to Manaus by private charter. Enjoy  
Manaus and overnight at Tropical Hotel.

**Saturday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>:**

Transfer to the International terminal and your return flight to the  
United States. In most cases, travelers will be able to connect all the  
way home on Sunday, but knowing that the 2007 flight schedules  
have not yet been set, please avoid making important plans for Dec.  
3<sup>rd</sup> at this time.

**Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>:**

Deposits due by early December, 2006. Reservations that have not been secured with a deposit within 14 days may be canceled. **Final non-refundable payments are due 120 days prior to the trip start date (July 23, 2007)**

Payment is refundable for cancellations in which a client replacement is found less \$500.00 per person. No refund will be made for unused land arrangements included in cost. Any trip booked within 120 days of arrival date will require full and final non refundable payment to confirm arrangements. Receipt of deposit and/or final payment is acknowledgment that registrant has read and accepts the cancellation/refund and responsibility clause. Travel insurance is recommended.



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