# Manual of Service 2026



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### **WHO ARE WE**

### **Quality of Service**

We put our biggest zeal in satisfying your expectations so that you can enjoy your trip to the maximum. Our services are characterized to be flexible and creative in the design of the itineraries. To be able to guarantee the quality of our services we always operate in small groups, we work with qualified personnel and we install a system of administration of quality.

### **Human resources**

The company was founded in 1994 by Alcides Santalla who is of San Buenaventura and he has excellent knowledge of the area. The whole personnel of the agency is of the indigenous communities of the area where is operating Bala Tours. In that way we involve the local communities in the economic benefits that tourism is generating. Due to the fact that our guides grew in the forest, they have deep knowledge of the wild fauna, flora and its medicinal use. We have been working with the same personnel that has a solid professional formation and technique that guarantees the security of our guests and the quality of the services that we offer for many years.

### **Ecological tourism**

We are operating in two protected areas of great natural diversity that are important for the region: Our jungle programs are carried out within the Madidi Integrated National Park and Natural Area (PN-ANMI MADIDI) and our Pampas program in the Sanctuary Municipal Reserve of the River Pampas del Yacuma Municipal Protected Area. We want to take advantage of our natural resources in a sustainable way and to reduce our impact to the environment. To save energy and to minimize the noise we use solar panels for the illumination of our housings. The garbage is classified in three groups: glass, plastic and metal; they are taken outside of the protected areas.





And the organic garbage is buried in the forest.

Our staff is committed to the respectful treatment of flora and fauna, which is why our tours do not promote the handling and feeding of wild animals. Always with a lot of respect.

Bala Tours & Ecolodges is one of the companies certified by the municipality of Rurrenabaque, for complying with the guidelines of tourism sustainability, established in the certification program, which includes environmental, social and business aspects.

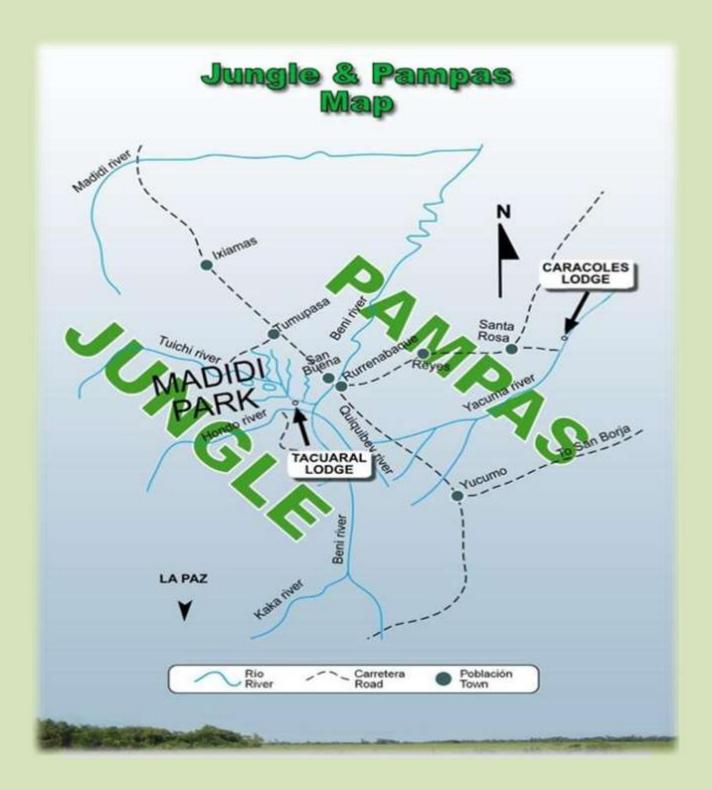
Traveling with Bala Tours Ecolodges has its advantages:

- Small group
- Experienced Guides (Spanish English)
- Lodgings in quality ecological lodges
- Premium food service
- Ecological sensitivity
- Security and punctuality

Bala Tours is a member of CANOTUR (National Chamber of Tourism)

### **OUR ECOLOGICAL HOSTELS**

- From Rurrenabaque the access to our hostels which are: Tacuarales lodges that is inside the Madidi NP(National Park) is reached by boat with outboard motor by the Beni river and Tuhichi, then to our Caracoles lodge that is inside the reserve of The Pampas del Río Yacuma is reached by car and then by boat ..
- Built using local materials in traditional style
- Lighting with solar panels
- Double and matrimonial rooms and triples with private bathroom
- Comfortable and spacious dining room
- Communication Radio in each hostel and central office.
- Professional cuisine: international, local and vegetarian food
- Environments protected with mosquito nets
- Preventive ecological spraying
- Hammock and social environment



### **Rurrenabaque destination**

Rurrenabaque is located at 229 m above sea-level, 400 km, and north of the city of La Paz. It is the gateway to the Bolivian Amazonia that is characterized by its humid and warm climate. From Rurrenabaque you may get to two important protected areas, where our programs are carried out: The National Park Madidi, one of the parks with more biodiversity to world level and the Municipal Reservation of the Pampas of the River Yacuma, that is characterized by its great density of wild life that is very easy of observing from the boats.

### How to arrive:

- There are 3 flights in the week (Monday, Wednesday, Friday) to Rurrenabaque from La Paz (1 hour), with the airlines Ecojet and BOA
- There are daily buses to Rurrenabaque from La Paz (14 hours), Trinidad (14 hours) and Guayaramerin (18 hours). There is also a bus in the week from Cobija (24 hours).

### PAMPAS OF THE YACUMA RIVER

The Municipal Protected Area "Pampas del Yacuma, was created by the Municipality of Santa Rosa del Yacuma, Beni, Bolivia, in 2007 with the objective of protecting and maintaining species that are of exceptional value, threatened and/or endemic to these ecosystems, such as the Blue-throated Macaw (*Ara glaucogularis*), Bolivian Titi (*Callicebus modestus*) and Beni Titi (*C. olallae*), among others.

# PROGRAM 2 DAYS / 1 NIGHT (Tour code PRY 01)

- Boat navigation and hikes
- Wildlife observation
- Night tours

**DAY 1. (-/L/D)** At 9:00 o'clock a.m. we leave from Rurrenabaque in car to the area of the pampas. After three hours we arrive to our housing Caracoles that is located inside the Municipal Reservation of the Yacuma river. Here we eat lunch and we have time to rest in

hammocks. In the afternoon, we make a trip in boat to observe the wild fauna that is easy to observe while we sail in boat. In the dry season it is feasible to assure that we can see alligators, anacondas, turtles, capybaras, pink dolphins, different species of monkeys and countless species of birds. During the rainy season it is more difficult to find alligators, anacondas and capybaras. After the dinner, we offer another walk to observe the eyes of the alligators and alligators as well as other night animals.



DAY 2. (B/L/-) In the morning, boat ride on the river Yacuma to a place where one can see many yellow monkeys. After the lunch we take a car to Rurrenabaque where we arrive approximately at 17:00 pm.

# Pampas tour — 3 days / 2 nights (Tour code PRY 1)

- Boat navigation and hikes
- Wildlife observation
- Night tours

**DAY 1. (-/L/D)** At 9:00 o'clock a.m. we leave from Rurrenabaque in car to the area of the pampas. After three hours we arrive to our housing Caracoles that is located inside the Municipal Reservation of the River Yacuma. Here we eat lunch and we have time to rest in hammocks. In the afternoon, we make a trip in boat to observe the wild fauna that is easy to observe while we sail in boat. In the dry season it is feasible to assure that we can see caiman, anacondas, turtles, capybaras, pink dolphins, different species of monkeys and

countless species of birds. During the rainy season it is more difficult to find caiman, anacondas and capybaras.

**DAY 2.** (B/L/D) - In the morning we walk for about 3 or 4 hours on the pampas to look for anacondas and allligators. We return to our housing to have lunch and to relax for a while. In the afternoon, we navigate on the river Yacuma fishing pirañas and swiming with the pink dolphins. After the dinner, we offer another walk to observe the eyes of the alligators and caiman as well as other night animals.

**DAY 3.** (B/L/-) In the morning, we navigate on the river Yacuma to a place where one can see many yellow monkeys. After the lunch we return in car to Rurrenabaque where we arrive approximately at 5:00 o'clock p.m.

# Program 4 Days / 3 Nights (Tours Code PRY 2)

The first two days are similar to the program of three days and two nights.

**DAY 3.** - In the morning, we navigate on the river Yacuma to a place where one can see many yellow monkeys. After lunch we can choose if we walk in the savanna to observe birds and monkeys or if we fish in the river Yacuma, where one can find blanquillo, bentones or pirañas (varieties of fish).

**DAY 4.** - After breakfast we can know the pampas on horseback, the way of typical transport of the region. In the itinerary we have the possibility to see different species of birds and monkeys. After lunch we return in car to Rurrenabaque where we arrive approximately at 5:00 o'clock p.m.



### MADIDI NATIONAL PARK

Madidi National Park, located in the Northeast of La Paz Department. With 1.880.996 hectares, Madidi is one of Bolivia's largest protected areas. With its 5 ecoregions, Madidi is one of the richest sites in the world for biodiversity. To date, 1.875 species of vascular plants, 1.370 vertebrate species, 156 mammal species, 867 bird species have been registered.

Tacuaral Ecolodge is located on the shores of the Tuichi River, inside Madidi National Park, 2 hours by boat from Rurrenabaque.

### **Albergue Tacuarales**

- Our Tacuarales Lodge is located inside the Madidi National Park on the banks of the Tuhichi River
- Built with traditional style place material
- Lighting with solar panels
- Double and matrimonial rooms with private bathrooms
- Comfortable and spacious dining room
- Professional cuisine: international, local and vegetarian food
- Preventive ecological spraying
- Hammock and social environment



# Madidi tour — Full day (Tour code SFD)

- River trip
- Tropical Andes landscapes
- For rush-in travellers

(-/L/-)At 9:00 o'clock a.m. We leave in boat through the river Beni to enter to the National Park Madidi, one of the parks with bigger biodiversity of the world. After some 3 hours of trip, we arrive to our housing Tacuaral that is located beside the river Tuichi. When we arrive, we rest a little and we take a soda. We continue our trip in boat to a salt bearing site where we can observe parrots and macaws (varieties of parrots). From a mirador we have a spectacular view and good possibilities of taking pictures of the parrots and macaws that arrive to eat the loamy and salty earth. Then we return to the housing to have lunch and to relax a while in hammocks.

From the housing we carry out a walk in the forest, where our guide explains to us the medicinal use of some of the thousands of species of plants that exist in the forest. We also have the possibility to observe animals as for example, different species of monkeys, deer, wild pigs (peccaries), capybaras and birds. Then we return in boat to Rurrenabaque where we arrive approximately at 5:30 o'clock p.m.



# PROGRAM JUNGLE MADIDI NATIONAL PARK 2 DAYS /1 NIGHT (Tours code SPM 01)

**DAY 1 (-/L/D)** At 9:00 am we leave in boat through the river Beni to enter to the National Park Madidi, one of the parks with bigger biodiversity of the world. After some 3 hours of trip, we arrive

to our housing Tacuaral that is located beside the river Tuichi. We eat lunch and we rest a while in hammocks. In the afternoon, we walk with our guide in the forest where we have the possibility to see wild animals as for example, different species of monkeys, deer, wild pigs (peccaries), capybaras or birds. After the dinner, we carry out a night walk to appreciate the sounds of the forest and to observe night animals.

DAY 2(B/L/-) We have breakfast, and later we visit a sector that is called Caquiawara, a natural salt bearing spot where we can observe parrots and macaws. From a mirador we have a spectacular view and good possibilities of taking pictures of the parrots and



macaws that arrive to eat the loamy and salty earth. We return to our Ecolodges to eat lunch. In the afternoon, we have enough time to relax for a while before returning in boat to Rurrenabaque, where we arrive approximately at 17:00 pm.

# Program Madidi National Park 3 Days / 2 Nights (Tours code SPM 1)

- Wildlife observation
- Hikes and night observation

**DAY 1 (-/L-D)** At 9:00 o'clock a.m. we leave in boat through the river Beni to enter to the National Park Madidi, one of the parks with bigger biodiversity of the world. After some 3 hours of trip, we arrive to our housing Tacuaral that is located beside the river Tuichi. We eat lunch and we rest a while in hammocks. In the afternoon, we walk with our guide in the forest where we have the possibility to see wild animals as for example, different species of monkeys, deer, wild pigs (peccaries), capybaras or birds. After the dinner, we carry out a night walk to appreciate the sounds of the forest and to observe night animals.

DAY 2 (B/L/D) We have breakfast, and later we visit a sector that is called Caquiawara, a natural salt bearing spot where we can observe parrots and macaws. From a mirador we have a spectacular view and good possibilities of taking pictures of the parrots and macaws that arrive to eat the loamy and salty earth. We return to our housing to eat lunch. In the afternoon, we leave to fish in the river Tuichi or in a lagoon in the forest. The fish more appreciated by the tourists in this area are: surubí, black-spotted catfish, white pacú, mamuri, striped surubí and sábalo.

It is also possible go to take a bath in the river Tuichi or to carry out another walk in the forest. Then the dinner is served.

**DAY 3 (B/L/-)** During a walk our guide explains to us in the morning, the medicinal use of some of the thousands of species of plants that are in the forest. When we return to our housing, we can make crafts with the seeds that we gather during the walk. Then we eat lunch and we have enough time to relax for a while before returning in boat to Rurrenabaque, where we arrive approximately at 5:00 o'clock p.m.

# Program 4 Days / 3 Nights (Tours Code SPM 2)

The first two days are similar to the program of three days and two nights.

DAY 3. (B/L/D) Early morning jungle hike to learn about to meet different ecological, penetrating deeper into the rainforest and to know different species of timber plants. Collection of palm seeds for to make rings and other crafts back at the lodge. In the afternoon, recreation and we take a refreshing swimming in the river Tuichi, or other optional program for hike in different interpretive trail to visit a small pond, to feel different birds singing and animals.



Day 4. (B/L/-) Early breakfast, we take a boat up Beni river to visit different communities that are within the Madidi National Park where we will observe their everyday experiences in the morning with the indigenous communities of origin (Moseten) and enjoy activities that before used daily to survive in the rainforest. Back at the lodge, lunch and return to Rurrenabaque. Enjoy the spectacular sunset on the way back. Arrival around 5pm.

# MADIDI PROGRAM 4 DAYS 3 NIGHTS (OPTIONAL) "AYAHUASCA" (Tour code SPM 3)

The first two days are similar to the program of three days and two nights

Day 3. (B/L/D) In this day we prepare for a ceremony inside the jungle of Madidi National Park here will have a different experience to share together the knowledge and different thinking to begin in the mystique of ayahuasca looking for the soul of your inner being surrounded by animal's insects and birds which will be guided by a natural jungle shaman.

**DAY 4.** (B/L/-) Early morning jungle hike to learn about to meet different ecological, penetrating deeper into the rainforest and to know different species of timber plants. Collection of palm seeds for to make rings and other crafts back at the lodge. Lunch and return to Rurrenabaque. Enjoy the spectacular sunset on the way back. Where we arrived around 5:00 pm.





### **COMBINED PROGRAMS JUNGLE AND PAMPAS:**

# Combined program Jungle / Pampas 3 days / 2 nights (Tours Code EP 3)

- Walking in the jungle
- Farallon parabas
- Wildlife Viewing
- Night Tour of lizards

DAY 1. (-/L/D) Departure at 9:00 am by boat up the Beni River. Entrance to Madidi National Park, one of the most biodiverse protected areas in the world. The boat ride will take around 3 hours until the Tacuaral Lodge, on the Tuichi River. After Lunch. we take a boat up the Tuichi River to Caquiahuara, a clay cliff where macaws and parrots nest and feed. Great photograph opportunities from the observation deck. Interpretative trail. Dinner at the lodge. Night walk in the jungle to discover nocturnal wildlife.



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### DAY 2

(B/L/D) Early breakfast and boat ride back to Rurrenabaque, where we will board a car for a three-hour trip to Santa Rosa del Yacuma. Lunch at Caracoles Lodge. In the afternoon, boat ride for wildlife observation: pink river dolphin, capybaras, turtles, black caiman, monkeys and many bird species. After dinner, night time boat ride for observing caiman eyes with the help of a flashlight.

**DAY 3.** (B/L/-) Morning boat ride to see troops of squirrel monkeys or chichilos. Lunch at the lodge before heading back to Rurrenabaque. Arrival around 17:00 pm.



# Combined program Jungle / Pampas 4 days / 3 nights (Tours Code EP 4)

- Walking in the jungle
- Farallon parabas
- Wildlife Viewing
- Night Tour of lizards



DAY 1. (-/L/D) Departure at 9:00 am by boat up the Beni River. Entrance to Madidi National Park, one of the most biodiverse protected areas in the world. The boat ride will take around 3 hours until the Tacuaral Lodge, on the Tuichi River. Lunch. Hike along a rainforest trail for wildlife viewing: monkeys, deer, wild peccaries, capybara, and several bird species. Dinner at the lodge. Night walk in the jungle to discover nocturnal wildlife.

### DAY 2.

**(B/L/D)** After breakfast, we take a boat up the Tuichi River to Caquiahuara, a clay cliff where macaws and parrots nest and feed. Great photograph opportunities from the observation deck. Interpretative trail. Lunch at the lodge. In the afternoon, sport fishing and swimming in the river

DAY 3. (B/L/D) Early breakfast and boat ride back to Rurrenabaque, where we will board a car for a three-hour trip to Santa Rosa del Yacuma. Lunch at



### Caracoles



Lodge. In the afternoon, boat ride for wildlife observation: pink river dolphin, capybaras, turtles, black caiman, monkeys and many bird species. After dinner, night time boat ride for observing caiman eyes with the help of a flashlight.

**DAY 4. (B/L/-)** Morning boat ride to see troops of squirrel monkeys or chichilos. Lunch at the lodge before heading back to Rurrenabaque. Arrival around 17:00 pm.

# Combined program Jungle & Pampas 5 days / 4 nights (Tour code EP2)

- Boat navigation and hikes
- Wildlife observation
- Hikes and night observation

DAY 1. (-/L/D) 9:00 O'clock departure by boat up the Beni River. Entrance to Madidi National Park, one of the most biodiverse protected areas in the world. The boat ride will take around 3 hours until the Tacuaral Lodge, on the Tuichi River. Lunch. Hike along a rainforest trail for wildlife viewing: monkeys, deer, wild peccaries, capybara, and several bird species. Dinner at the lodge. Night walk in the jungle to discover nocturnal wildlife.





monkeys and many bird species.

DAY 2. (B/L/D) After breakfast, we take a boat up the Tuichi River to Caquiahuara, a clay cliff where macaws and parrots nest and feed. Great photograph opportunities from the observation deck. Interpretative trail. Lunch at the lodge. In the afternoon, sport fishing and swimming in the river

DAY 3. (B/L/D) Early breakfast and boat ride back to Rurrenabaque, where we will board a 4x4 jeep for a three-hour trip to Santa Rosa del Yacuma. Lunch at Caracoles Lodge. In the afternoon, boat ride for wildlife observation: pink river dolphin, capybaras, turtles, black caiman,

**DAY 4.** (B/L/D) Morning hike through the Pampas in search of the mighty anaconda, black caimans and alligators. Lunch at the lodge. After a short rest, boat ride along the Yacuma River for piranha fishing and swimming with pink dolphins. After dinner, night time boat ride for observing caiman eyes with the help of a flashlight.

**DAY 5. (B/L/-)** Morning boat ride to see troops of squirrel monkeys or chichilos. Lunch at the lodge before heading back to Rurrenabaque. Arrival around 5 pm.

# COMBINED PROGRAM JUNGLE & PAMPAS 6 days / 5 nights (Tours Code EP 5)

- Walking in the jungle
- Cliff macaws
- Wildlife Viewing
- Night Tour of lizards

DAY 1. (-/L/D) Departure at 9:00 am by boat up the Beni River. Entrance to Madidi National Park, one of the most biodiverse protected areas in the world. The boat ride will take around 3 hours until the Tacuaral Lodge, on the Tuichi River. Lunch. Hike a long rainforest trail for wildlife viewing: monkeys, deer, wild peccaries, capybara, and several bird species. Dinner at the lodge. Night walk in the jungle to discover nocturnal wildlife.



**DAY 2. (B/L/D)** After breakfast, we will take a boat up the Tuichi River to Caquiahuara, a clay cliff where macaws and parrots nest and feed. Great photograph opportunities from the observation deck. Interpretative trail. Lunch at the lodge. In the afternoon, sport fishing and swimming in the river. Dinner at the lodge, Night walk in the jungle to discover nocturnal wildlife.

**Day 3. (B/L/D)** Early morning jungle hike to learn about to meet different ecological, penetrating deeper into the rainforest and to know different species of timber plants. Collection of palm seeds for to make rings and other crafts back at the lodge, in the afternoon, we take a boat up Beni river to visit different communities that are within the

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Madidi National Park where we will observe their everyday experiences with the indigenous communities of origin (Moseten) and enjoy activities that before used daily to survive in the rainforest. Back at the lodge and dinner.

DAY 4. (B/L/D) Early breakfast before boarding the boat that will take us back to Rurrenabaque, arriving around 08:30 hours. Where we will have a short break before transfer by car from Rurrenabaque to Santa Rosa Yacuma. After 3 hours we arrived at our hostel Snails, along the river Yacuma. Lunch and free time to relax in hammocks. Afternoon boat ride to watch wildlife: alligators, anacondas, turtles, capybaras, pink dolphins, various species of monkeys and numerous bird species.

**DAY 5. (B/L/D)** Morning walk through the pampas to find anacondas and alligators. Lunch and rest in the hostel. In the afternoon, piranha fishing in the river. If the river is high, we can swim with the dolphins. After dinner, boating flashlight to focus the eyes of the lizards.

**DAY 6. (B/L/-)** In the morning, we sailed by Yacuma river to watch the yellow monkeys or chichilos. After lunch, drive back to Rurrenabaque, where we arrived at about 5pm

# COMBINED PROGRAM PAMPAS & JUNGLE 6 days / 5 nights (Tour code EP1)

- Boat navigation and hikes
- Wildlife observation
- Hikes and night observation
- Experience Communal
- Zip line Canopy

DAY 1. (-/L/D) Departure by car from Rurrenabaque to Santa Rosa del Yacuma. After 3 hours we arrived at our Caracoles Lodges, to shore the Yacuma River. Lunch and free time for resting on hammocks. In the afternoon, boat ride for wildlife observation of grassland: alligators, turtles, capybaras, pink dolphins, monkeys and many birds' species. According to the season.

**DAY 2. (B/L/D)** Morning hikes through the pampas in search of the mighty anaconda, black caiman and alligators. Lunch at the lodge and rest. Boat ride along the Yacuma River for piranha fishing and swimming with pink dolphins. After dinner, night time boat ride for observing caiman eyes with the help of a flashlight.

**DAY 3. (B/L/D)** Morning boat ride to see troops of squirrel monkeys or chichilos and others species of animals and birds. After lunch, drive back to Rurrenabaque, where we will board a boat for a 3 hour trip to Madidi National Park, one of the most biologically diverse parks in the world. Dinner at the lodge and rest.

**DAY 4. (B/L/D)** In the morning, hike along a rainforest trail for wildlife viewing, such as: monkeys, deer, wild peccaries, capybaras and several birds' species. Lunch and rest in

hammocks under the trees. In the afternoon, sport fishing in the river Tuichi. Then after dinner, night walk in the jungla to discover and listen nocturnal wildlife.

DAY 5. (B/L/D) Short boat ride to Caquiawara, a clay cliff where parrots and macaws nest and feed and are fascinating with different species and sounds especially Ara Chloroptera. After the walking path interpretation, great photograph from opportunities observation deck, returning to lodge we take a refreshing swimming in the river Tuichi. After lunch, jungle hike to learn medicinal about plants. Collection of seeds for handicrafts making back at the lodge.



DAY 6. (B/L/-) Departure by boat after breakfast to Carmen Florida community for daily communal living where we will do different activities like grinding sugarcane, to make organic sugar and enjoy a cane juice, then to take a local lunch with different dishes from the community. In the afternoon we take the boat to Villa Alcira Community where we doing Zip Line Canopy, over the treetops of the jungle in approximately 3 ½ hours. Arrival to Rurrenabaque around 5 pm.

### **SPECIAL PROGRAMS:**

# Birdwatching 5 Days/4 Nights (Tours Code EA 2)

Madidi National Park has 867 species of birds, although it is estimated that it contains around 1,150 species, representing 83% of the birdlife in the country. The most outstanding species are the red and green macaw (Ara chloroptera), tyranido (Anairetes alpinus), crested eagle (Oroatus isidori),

cock—of-the rock (Rupicola peruviana), harpy eagle (Harpia harpyia) and several species of birds in danger of extinctionsuch as the grallaria erythrotis, endemic to the region. In the pampas, the flooded savannah vegetation is home to some flagship species such as the blue-thoated macaw (Ara glaucogularis), endemic to Bolivia.

Of the 876 species recorder so far the following should be mentioned: Hoatzin (Opisthocomushoatzin), Sabanna hawk, (Betuogallus urubitinga), Amazon kingfisher (Chloroceryle amazona), in addition to a wide variety of herons, storks, falcons, macaws, and ducks.



**Days 1 and 2:** Madidi national park. Visit to the caquiahuara cliffs to observe macaws (Ara ararauna, Ara cloroptheraand) and parrots. Accommodation in the Tacuaral Lodge. Observation of jungle birds from paths and on the rivers.

**Days 3, 4 and 5:** Pampas. Accommodation in the Caracoles Lodge. Observation of marsh and river birds.

### TREKKING;

### Program 9 Days / 8 Nights (Tours Code PTTM - 12)

Our program of trekking is carried out inside the PN Madidi. Every day one walks 12 Km approximately until arriving in the last day at the river Tuichi, from where one returns in motor boat to Rurrenabaque. During the trekking we have the possibility to observe wild animals as for example, different species of monkeys, deer, wild pigs (peccaries), capybaras or birds. If we are lucky we can also see a jaguar. Besides this, in the itinerary, our guide explains to us the medicinal use of some of the thousands of species of plants that are in the forest. At night we sleep in Tents.



### **ADVENTURE PROGRAM:**

# Alto Beni adventure — Guanay 3 Days/2Nights (From the Andes to the Amazon basin) (Tours code AG)

MINIMUM PERFORMED WITH 4 PAX

**DAY 1.** Departure from Guanay, famous for gold washing in the river. Lunch and boat departure on Kaka River. The boat ride continues in the mid-afternoon passing the other gold-washing villages. Camping on the beach and dinner.

**DAY 2.** Breakfast and boat ride down the Beni River. At this point the river separates two protected areas, the Pilon Lajas Biosphere Reserve and Madidi National Park. The area is home of the many bird species, including the Militay Macaw, one of the many large parrots that inhabit the area. Lunch in the Beu Canyon area. In the late afternoon, we will arrive to Tacuarales Ecologge, located in Madidi National Park.

**DAY 3.** After breakfast, visit to Caquiahuara, where many macaw and parrot species nest and lick clay. Hiking along an interpretative trail. Lunch at the lodge. After resting on hammocks, boat ride to Rurrenabaque. Arrival at late afternoon.

# Fishing 6Days/5Nights) (Tour code EP2)

The Bolivian forest offers excellent possibilities of sport fishing in some very pretty and exotic places. We begin our trip in Rurrenabaque, going down in an outboard - motor boat on the river Beni until arriving at the river Undumo. We spend the nights in full nature in comfortable tarps with mosquito nets, on the banks of the rivers. The fishing is carried out every day in different places on the rivers Beni and Undumo or around the lagoons in the forest.

During the tour we also have time to carry out walks in the forest and to visit indigenous communities that teach us something on their customs and traditions. The fish more appreciated by the professional fishermen of all parts of the world are:

- black-spotted catfish (surubí) {Pseudoplatystoma corruscans}
- white pacú (Piaractus brachypomus)
- Sábalo (similar to shads and tarpons){Brycon sp.}
- striped surubí or bagre (a variety of catfish)
   {Pseudoplatystoma fasciatum}
- tambaquí (Colossoma macropomum)



## Rate/ Price list 2026

(Our prices are by each program and per person)

CÓDE	PROGRAMS	PRICES	
		Prívate Service	regular Service
JUNGLE - SFD	Madidi día completo—Madidi full Day	\$US 200	\$US 175
JUNGLE – SPM 01	Madidi 2D/1N	\$US 250	\$US 200
JUNGLE – SPM 1	Madidi 3 D/2 N	\$US 300	\$US 240
JUNGLE – SPM 2	Madidi 4 D / 3 N	\$US 400	\$US 320
JUNGLE – SPM 3	Madidi 4 D / 3 N (Opcional Ayahuasca)	\$US 480	\$US 400
PAMPAS-PRY 01	Pampas 2D/1N	\$US 250	\$US 200
PAMPAS – PRY 1	Pampas 3 D / 2 N	\$US 300	\$US 240
PAMPAS – PRY 2	Pampas 4 D / 3 N	\$US 400	\$US 320
TOURS	COMBINED JUNGLE and PAMPAS		
JUNGLE/PAMPAS EP 3	Combined Jungle and Pampas 3D/2N	\$US 400	\$US 350
JUNGLE/PAMPAS EP 4	Combined Jungle and Pampas 4D/3N	\$US 500	\$US 400
JUNGLE/PAMPAS EP 2	Combined Jungle and Pampas 5 D/4 N	\$US 550	\$US 440
JUNGLE/PAMPAS EP 5	Combined Jungle and Pampas 6 D/5 N	<b>\$US 600</b>	\$US 480
JUNGLE/PAMPAS EP 1	Combined Jungle and Pampas 6 D /5 N ( Zip line canopy)	\$US 720	\$US 600
AVENTURA – AG	Alto Beni 3 D / 2N	\$US 360	\$US 320
ESPECIAL - EP	Pesca – Fishing 6D/5N	\$US 720	\$US 720
ESPECIAL - EA	Aves – Birdwatching 3D/2 N	\$US 360	\$US 330
ESPECIAL – EA 2	Aves – Birdwatching 5D/4 N	\$US 600	\$US 500

### **Commission:**

The commission for tour operators and travel agencies is 10% for all our programs

In the case of the rate for children from 4 to 11 years, 50% net rate

### Private program

Explanation: Our private program need minimum of 2 people; we leave at the time you want. Also, we don't include other people in your tour; it means that you carry out all the trips with your own guide and in a private boat.

### The prices include:

- Transfer: airport hotel airport.
- Accommodation in Lodges in private bedrooms with shower and bathroom include.
- Private Transport
- Mineral water, juices and feeding during the stay in the housing.
- Native and bilingual guide.

### The prices don't include:

- Alcoholic and soda water drinks
- Entrance fee to the protected area or to the park
   Pampas 200 bs (29 \$US) Foreigners, 50 (8 \$US) Nationals (per person)
   Jungle 200 bs (29 \$US) Foreigners, 50 (8 \$US) Nationals (per person)
- Hotel by Rurrenabaque
- Tickets of airplane

### Shared program

Explanation: Our shared program requires a minimum of 2 people. (The departure time is at 9:00 a.m. and the return is at 5:00 p.m.)

### The price includes:

- Accommodation in housing or tarp according to the program.
- Transport according to the program.
- Mineral water, juices and feeding during the stay in the housing.
- Trips with native and bilingual guides.

### The price doesn't include:

- Entrance fee to the protected areas
   Pampas 200 bs (29 \$US) Foreigners, 50 (8 \$US) Nationals (per person)
   Jungle 200 bs (29 \$US) Foreigners, 50 (8 \$US) Nationals (per person)
- Alcoholic and soda water drinks.
- Hotel by Rurrenabaque
- Tickets of airplane

### **Reservations, Payments and Cancellations**

**RESERVATIONS AND PAYMENTS:** The reservations carried out through operators of tourism or travel agencies will be requested with an advance of 7 days before the beginning of the trip. Once confirmed the space readiness for the date and the required tour, the client should send to Bala Tours, through fax or electronic mail, the reservation form.

**CANCELLATIONS AND REFUNDS:** The cancellation of a hired service should be notified in written form. If the cancellation is made after the total payment by the hired service, the percentage of retentions to apply arises of the following scale:

2 days before the tour: 50 %. The same day of the tour: 100%

**INSURANCE:** It is the same tourists' responsibility the recruiting of insurance of trip or against accidents, as well as to carry the necessary documentation at the moment of the trip.

LIMITATION OF RESPONSIBILITY: The participation in the tours requires a good general state of health, because during their accomplishment are carried out walks and journeys in boat or vehicle of up to 5 hours of duration. Any limitation or physical inadequacy, as well as allergies and special nutritious requirements, should be informed to Bala Tours at the moment to request the reservation. Although Rurrenabaque is an area free of malaria and yellow fever, it is recommended to consult with your doctor the necessity of a specific prevention.

CANCELLATIONS AND AIR DELAYS: The airstrip of the airport of Rurrenabaque is not paved. Therefore, when bad conditions of weather interfere, especially during the rainy season (between December and March), the arrival and exit flights may suffer delays or cancellations. In these cases, it is recommended to foresee the necessity to remain an additional day in the place. Bala Tours doesn't take the responsibility for the changes in the schedules and/or itineraries of the flights. Bala Tours won't make any kind of refunds in any case for cancellations and delays in the tour, as a consequence of itinerary changes in the flights. Bala Tours also declines any responsibility for delays or cancellations of buses, accidents, strikes, blockades, changes of itineraries outside of its control or other irregularities. If during the realization of the tour and by own decision, the passenger abandoned the housing or if the passenger didn't make use of some service, he won't be entitled to claims neither refunds.

**CHANGES OF ITINERARY OF THE TOUR:** Bala Tours will carry out all the efforts to make the tour according to the foreseen itinerary. However, in the event of being necessary and for reasons unaware to the company, like climatic, social and other conditions, the itinerary can be modified, in order to guarantee the security, comfort and/or the visitor's satisfactory experience.

ALL THE PAYMENTS Will be deposited 48 hours before the beginning of the tour to our current account in US dollars at the BANCO UNION, account number 2-13471383, on behalf of OPERADORA DE TURISMO BALA TOURS, and also our Bolivian account at the UNION BANK, Account No. 1-20827644, in the name of OPERADORA DE TURISMO BALA TOURS Swift code: baunbo22.

**LEADING TOUR POLICY:** The tour drivers will be taken as free from 10 people in private and shared groups.

**POLICY FOR CHILDREN:** All children under 4 to 11 years old pay half the price that is 50% of the tours, over 12 years pay the normal price.

### 2. What to take?

- Big backpack and a medium-sized one for trips.
- Comfortable Clothes of cotton and of clear colors.
- Bathing suit.
- Hat or cap.
- Closed and comfortable shoes to walk.
- Sun Blocking cream.
- Insect repellent.
- Personal hygiene outfits.

For the fishing program it is necessary to take your own fishing equipment. For informations and reservations:

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