



### **Pantanal Nature - Jaguar Tour**

**Day 1** - Arrive at Cuiabá airport where you will be met by your guide, alternatively we can arrange to pick you up from your hotel in Cuiabá. Depart for the Pantanal on a 1.5 hour drive to reach the Transpantaneira Road, which is one of the best places in the world to spot wildlife. Several stops will be made in order to appreciate the spectacular flora and fauna along the way. This will also provide an excellent opportunity for wildlife photography. Arrival at the Tented Camp for Dinner and Overnight. (L,D).



**Day 2** - Early morning breakfast is followed by a boat ride in the State Park 'Meeting of the Waters' looking for signs of recent jaguar activity on the river banks. Lunch. Afterwards we return to the boat looking for the mighty big cat and other interesting wildlife such as Capybaras, Black Howler Monkeys, Iguanas, Caimans and several types of different bird species. Return to our accommodation after sunset. The Pantanal is famed for its dramatic sunsets – a photographer's delight! Dinner and overnight stay at Camp. (L & D).



**Day 3** - Once again we will travel by boat after an early breakfast at 5:00am. Today we will be travelling further up the Cuiabá River. Most of the day will be spent exploring this remote region which is excellent for wildlife and nature observation. We will have lunch on the boat in order to spend more time in this rich tapestry of wildlife. Then back to the boat in search of more wildlife until sunset. Dinner and overnight at the camp. (B,L,D).

**Day 4** - After an early breakfast, we will take our boat and travel upstream along the Cuiabá river followed by the Três Irmãos river. This is a great location with the highest density of jaguars and jaguar sightings in the entire Pantanal. Most are found during the day and can be seen at close range. Lunch. Return to the camp after sunset. Overnight at Camp. (B,L,D).

**Day 5** - An early start again in order to enjoy the day as even if you go to the same river, you might spot different animal or behavior. Pic-nic Lunch then start looking for jaguars as usual and other interesting wildlife. Dinner and overnight at the Camp.

**Day 6** - Early wake up, at around 05:30 am, breakfast then we will embark in our smaller boat and explore the Parque Estadual Encontro das Águas. The park is one of the best places for jaguar spotting in the Pantanal, we will also see other wildlife including giant river otters, caimans, capybaras, and many bird species. Lunch, then We will explore small channels and lakes, quite often we find the jaguars on the river during the day, many of them at very close range for extended periods. Late afternoon we return to the Camp for dinner and overnight.

**Day 7** - After breakfast, we will begin our drive north on the Transpantaneira Road to our next destination where we will be staying at Pousada Rio Claro. This is yet another fantastic area for observing wildlife. Once you have settled into your new accommodation and had a short rest, we will go for a walk along the course of the Claro river searching for tortoises, anteaters, antbirds as well as the colourful toucan. This environmentally diverse area is a collage of gallery forests (deciduous and non-deciduous) in addition to savannah and shallow pools which support an astonishing variety of wildlife. Dinner is followed by a night safari by car, using a spotlight to try to detect animals such crab-eating foxes, tapirs, caiman and nocturnal birds. Stops will also be made to give you the chance to experience the magical sounds of the Pantanal at night. You will typically hear the haunting calls of nightjars and potoos as well as the general hubbub of bullfrogs. Overnight at the Rio Claro Lodge. (B,L,D)

**Day 8** - An early morning start at 5:30 am in time to watch the sunrise from a rowing boat on Rio Claro river, breakfast is followed by hiking in non-deciduous forest along the river looking for tortoises, monkeys, woodpeckers, woodcreepers, agoutis, deer and coatis. In the afternoon a boat trip along the Rio Claro River looking for the tapirs, all five kingfisher species and toco toucans and return to the lodge after sunset. Dinner is followed by an hours night walk or night drive, Overnight at Rio Claro lodge. (B,L,D).

**Day 9** - An early morning rowing boat trip at 5:30 am in time to watch the sunrise. This will also be an opportunity to observe both nocturnal and diurnal animals. Breakfast, afterwards, a short walking trip in order to try to see more wildlife. Lunch followed by discussion on everything we have seen on the tour, using our Pantanal Wildlife Tick List as a reference. It will then be time to pack up and return to Cuiabá in the afternoon. You will be dropped off at the airport or city hotel. according to choice.(B,L).

### About the Pantanal Jaguar camp

Pantanal Jaguar Camp is structure base with comfortable tents with beds, ensuite bathroom, electricity (110v), 4 sockets , hot shower, shelf, Wi-Fi connection for clients, a charming restaurant, English Speaking tour guides and books on Pantanal. Boat outings every day From June to November.



About the lodge:

Rio Claro Lodge is equipped with A/C ,private bathroom with hot shower, Wi-Fi connection dining room, swimming pool, very good trails, rowing and motorized boats and friendly staff.



### What is included?

**Included:** Pre-departure information and recommendation, airport transfers, the services of an English speaking/Spanish/Portuguese local guide, all transport, accommodations, meals and equipment whilst on tour as specified by your itinerary; activities: (sunrise walking, boating, hiking, night safari, and (jaguar operation), and others. Please note airport taxes, travel insurance, laundry services, phone calls and beverages are **Not included**.

**What to bring?**

In general light, natural, breathable fabrics which are quick-drying provide the most comfort. Long sleeved shirts/t-shirts, sunhat and long trousers are advised for protection against bugs and the sun. Lightweight, convertible trousers that zip off into shorts are a great option. These can be worn as shorts during the heat of the day and back to full length trousers when the bugs are at their worst in the evening. Most people prefer to wear a fresh outfit each day as the climate is hot and can be quite sticky. Clothes dry quickly in the Pantanal so washing is a practical option. Make sure to bring plenty of high factor sunscreen and insect repellent. Bring any personal toiletries you need as they are unlikely to be available, especially in the more remote areas.

Although this tour was created for **9 days/ 8 nights**, it is simply an example of the type of programme we can package for you. We are very happy to design a tailor-made tour suited to your specific preferences. For example, you may want a longer or shorter trip, or to concentrate on a particular group of animals. If you have any special requirements or questions you'd like to ask, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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