

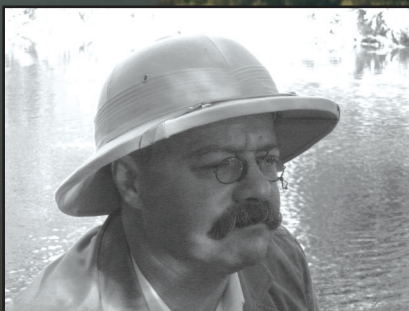
Theodore Roosevelt
MEDORA FOUNDATION

AMAZON ADVENTURE

Telling the Story of Theodore Roosevelt's "River of Doubt" Journey

Highlighting Rio De Janeiro, Iguazu Falls,
& Featuring an Amazon River Cruise

May 2 – 14, 2021



*Hosted by Joe Wiegand,
Theodore Roosevelt Portrayer*

YOU ARE INVITED . . .

Please join me on this amazing journey to South America with the Theodore Roosevelt Medora Foundation. This unique itinerary will take us to some of the most exciting parts of the world! We will share the story of TR's "River of Doubt" journey, see Rio where he prepared for the trip, view the stunning Iguazu Falls, and sail on the majestic Amazon River. We'll have a "bully" time!



Scene from the River of Doubt Expedition



Kermit Roosevelt

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Sunday, May 2nd: ARRIVE RIO DE JANEIRO

Welcome to Brazil! Transfer to hotel for check in and time to rest. This evening celebrate your South American adventure with a welcome cocktail reception with tapas. (D)

Monday, May 3rd: RIO DE JANEIRO

After breakfast, for a fabulous view of Rio, visit the statue of Christ the Redeemer crowning CORCOVADO MOUNTAIN, a rounded peak rising 2,300 feet from the bay below. Take the scenic cog railway ride to its top, where a 360-degree panorama affords sweeping views. This afternoon travel by jeep to the TIJUCA NATIONAL PARK rainforest for possible sightings of sloths, monkeys, beautiful butterflies and birds, with an opportunity for a short hike on a gradual trail to see the waterfalls. Proceed to the BOTANICAL GARDEN and see the diversity of Brazilian flora. (B, L, D)

Tuesday, May 4th: RIO DE JANEIRO

Enjoy a panoramic tour of downtown Rio passing by the Sambodrome where Rio's famous carnival parades take place and stopping at the Metropolitan Cathedral, built in a unique pyramid form. Also see some of Rio's historical buildings including the Municipal Theater, Camp de Santana, and Guanabara Palace, and the former location of the Monroe Palace where Roosevelt met with Brazilian officials prior to the Roosevelt-Rondon Scientific Expedition to the Amazon River which began in 1913. Visit the NAVAL SCHOOL and the HISTORICAL and GEOGRAPHICAL INSTITUTE. Next, continue to the neighborhood of Urca where one of the iconic symbols of the city is located: SUGAR LOAF. You'll travel all the way to the top in two steps by cable car. The first cable car takes you to Urca Hill, a vantage point over 1,000 feet high offering beautiful views of Guanabara Bay and its islands as well as Corcovado Mountain. The second cable car takes you to the top at 1,300 feet where you will enjoy splendid views of Copacabana beach, the Santa Cruz fortress and several beaches of Niteroi. Return to Rio for dinner. (B, L, D)

Wednesday, May 5th: RIO DE JANEIRO EXCURSION TO PETROPOLIS

A drive through the outskirts of Rio, up the Serra dos Orgaos on a winding, scenic road through the Atlantic Rain Forest will take you to the "Imperial city of Petropolis," which is at 2,660 ft above sea level. We will visit the MUSEUM AT THE SUMMER PALACE of former Emperor Pedro II of Brazil and the CATHEDRAL with the tomb of the Emperor and his wife. You will see the highlights of this charming city, such as the "Crystal Palace," mansions, and buildings from imperial and modern times. Return to Rio for dinner. (B, L, D)

Thursday, May 6th: RIO DE JANEIRO– IGUAZU FALLS

A flight from Rio takes you to IGUAZU FALLS. Experience the clouds of spray, the incessant roar, and the surrounding luxuriant tropical growth that make this an unforgettable natural wonder. Head into Brazil's Iguazu National Park to enjoy the magnificent panorama of waterfalls from the Brazilian side. Your local guide introduces the spectacle of this 2-mile-wide torrent. With some cataracts as high as 250 feet, Iguazu Falls is spectacular! Then, relax at your hotel before dinner this evening. (B, D)



Friday, May 7th: IGUAZU FALLS

Visit the BIRD PARK to spot indigenous birds up close in their native rain forest environment. Huge aviaries are home to over 900 tropical birds of 150 species. On a walking tour, learn about the various birds found here and the ongoing efforts to protect and conserve these native birds. Among other attractions, there are butterfly aviary, hummingbird aviaries, and a reptile sector with caimans and snakes. After lunch, visit ITAIPU DAM and special BIOLOGICAL SANCTUARY. Return to Iguazu Falls for dinner and Rafain Show. (B, L, D)



Saturday, May 8th: IGUAZU FALLS

Fly to Manaus, and transfer to your hotel with the balance of your day at leisure. (B, D)

Sunday, May 9th: MANAUS

A short city ORIENTATION TOUR this morning will give you the highlights of Manaus. Relax and enjoy your eco-resort with a dinner as you complete the land portion of your journey. (B, L, D)



Monday, May 10th: DEPART MANAUS/BOARD THE GRAND IBEROSTAR

Check into the Port of Manaus and board the Grand Iberostar. This evening we enjoy the sunset on the terrace. Welcome cocktail offered by the Captain prior to dinner at Kuarup Restaurant. (B, D)

Tuesday, May 11th: GRAND IBEROSTAR

Enjoy continental breakfast on the terrace or breakfast at the Kuarup Restaurant. This morning's tour consists of hiking in the region of Jaraqui, watching the local fauna and flora or motorboat rides (on the Igarapes or narrow canals) in region of Jaraqui. After tour you may participate in the lecture "Introducing the Amazon" available at Salao Lua. Enjoy lunch either on the terrace or restaurant. Afternoon lecture "Boto do Amazonas" (Amazon Pink Dolphin at Salao Lua). Late afternoon tour among the islands of Tres Bocas that are part of the second largest fluvial archipelago in the world. Entertainment provided this evening on the terrace. (B, L, D)

Wednesday, May 12th: GRAND IBEROSTAR

After breakfast this morning, a tour is offered to visit a local indigenous community in Rio Cuieiras to know their way of life, customs and crops. Opportunity to buy local crafts. Morning lecture "Amazon Fish" at Salao Lua. Afternoon tour - boat ride and visit to a local farm at Ariaui region or Piranha fishing in the Araui region. After dinner this evening a night tour is offered - motorboat rides to spot alligators and listen to the night sounds. (B, L, D)

Thursday, May 13th: GRAND IBEROSTAR

Early morning tour offered: Amazon Awakening. Morning tour by motorboats in the region of the Rio Ariaui, where birds and beautiful landscapes illuminated by the sunrise can be watched. Morning tour- observation of the Amazon pink dolphins and a visit to the river's beach. Morning lecture "Amazon Birds" at Salao Lua. Afternoon tour is a visit to Rubber Tappe Museum. This evening we enjoy a Gala Dinner followed by a Folkloric show at the Salao Lua. (B, L, D)

Friday, May 14th: GRAND IBEROSTAR

Early morning watch the meeting of waters of the Rios Negro and Solimoes (meeting of the white water and black water). After breakfast we disembark and travel to the airport for our return flights home. (B)

Enrichment from Joe Wiegand

- “My Last Chance to be a Boy - Theodore Roosevelt & the River of Doubt”
- “Kermit Roosevelt - the Other Roosevelt on the River of Doubt”
- “The Roosevelt Corollary to the Monroe Doctrine - Big Stick Diplomacy and the American Hegemony in Central & South America”

Tour Includes:

Tour package (as outlined), hotel and cruise accommodations, meals as listed, taxes, tips, attractions listed, internal flights in South America. Included on the Grand Iberostar: breakfast, lunch and dinner, alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages, mini bar, entertainment activities and most tours.



Air Arrangements

Airfare to and from South America is not included in the price. Flights within South America are included.

Just over 10 months before departure, Direct Travel will contact you to make your air arrangements.

Package Rates:

- Double occupancy: \$7,899 per person
- Single occupancy: \$9,499

Deposit: \$500 per person
Deposit is refundable until Dec. 1, 2020.

Final Payment: Jan. 15, 2021

Insurance:

Direct Travel highly recommends travel insurance which provides reimbursement for trip cancellation for covered medical reasons, and other benefits found on Allianz Insurance brochure. This insurance starts at \$596.37 per person for the land package; coverage for air costs may be added. Insurance is non-refundable and may be purchased at final payment.



The pink dolphin is among the myriad of species you will see on this journey!

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Passports must be in effect through November 2, 2021.**

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Tour Package Rates: Deposit at time of booking is \$500.00 per person.

Double Occupancy \$7,899.00. Single Occupancy \$9,499.00.

Travel Insurance: We highly recommend travel insurance. (may be purchased with final payment)

Yes, please add Travel Insurance to my package for an additional \$596.37. This covers all payments (except insurance premium) should you have to cancel for medical reason only.

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