1) Introduction
If among all the attractions of the Amazon, your wish it is observe the wildlife, this is the itinerary for you. Besides the beaches that arise during the dry season, villages with beautiful handicrafts and friendly waterfalls, the Jauaperi River, more specifically in the Xixuaú Reserve, is the untouched home to some of the most beautiful species of Amazon wildlife - otters, manatees, storks, quatipurus, arboreal monkeys, huge black alligators, red toucans, spotted eagle and the scandalous multi-colored macaws. The animals are what compose the visual and sounds of this unusual ecological sanctuary where the local residents decided to preserve with ecotourism principles. The area is about 500 km from Manaus, located in the state of Roraima, along the border of the native territory Waimiri-Atroari, we find the wildlife heaven. Navigating on crystal clear water streams, in the summer we can observe dolphins and giant otters passing beneath our canoes, manatees in its tranquility and howler monkeys singing in their impressive guttural voices. There it is prohibited to use motor boats. The silence is cultivated by the man and the nature is free. This is the place where we are going!

Peculiarities of Region
The Xixuaú Reserve is located between the Igarapé Xixuaú and Igarapé Xiparinã, in the middle region of Jauaperi River, an important tributary of the Negro River. Its generous bio-diversity is the result of two factors: geomorphologic rich soil with absence of poaching. Recent researches identified over 80 giant otters (Pteronura Brasiliensis) living in the region. Some difficult species to be observed in the Rio Negro basin, such as jabirus, red macaws and black bearded sakis, are commonly seen in the area. The traditional soccer in the Matão community, visit to a model-school with Environmental Education at the Matias stream, among other activities of ‘caboclo’ culture, can be checked and experienced as an alternative to the intense and wild experience provided by this expedition.
2) Day-by-day 8 day

1st day: Manaus / Novo Airão / Anavilhanas

- Transfer from the hotel in Manaus to Novo Airão: boarding between 08:00 a.m. to 09:00 a.m. in an air-conditioned car.
- Amazonian briefing: quick explanation on the local fauna and flora, water basins, local customs, study of maps to set a route, handing of Ecotourism in the Rio Negro booklet and customized maps in PDF format.
- Arrival at Novo Airão close to lunch time.
- Start of the Katerre Expedition through the Anavilhanas Archipelago. Lunch on board:
  - Anchorage for a quick speedboat ride through islands and lakes nearby;
  - Probable viewing of Tucuxi dolphins (Sotalia fluviatilis), Pink Dolphins (Inia Geoffrensis) and of the birds of the season: Maguari (Ardea cocoi), Herons (Casmerodius Albus), Blue and Red Macaws (Ara Ararauna), Parrots (Amazona Festiva), Heron-Tiger (Tigrisoma lineatum), Japiins (Cacicus Jail), Japós (Psarocolius Decumanus) and Otters (Galbulidae), among others;
  - Swim with lifebuoys on Rio Negro;
  - Return to the boat and proceed navigating to the Madadá lookout;
  - Dinner on board;
  - Overnight in the boat’s cabin or in hammocks on the Madadá lookout, a 2 floors bungalow with bathroom, among the forest, with beautiful views of the Rio Negro.

2nd day: Anavilhanas / Madadá

- We start the day at Madadá.
- Regional breakfast: fruits, jams, tapioca, tucumã, etc.
- 3 hour hike (round trip) through virgin forest to the Madadá Caves.
- Upon return, visitation to native ranch, visitation to an orchard with fruits of the season.
- Swimming with lifebuoys at Negro River. Lunch on board.
- Speedboat trip to a Native Community. Exchange in the native language of the Tukano. Contact with the lifestyle and local traditions.
- Return to the boat, we set sail to the “Praia do Sono” (“Sleepy Beach”).
- Dinner, bonfire, native folklore storytelling. Overnight stay anchored by the beach.

Bangalô do Mirante do Madadá

por-do-sol no rio Jaú
3rd day: Jaú National Park (dry season)
- We start the day at “Praia do Sono” (“Sleepy Beach”).
- Set sail to the ICMBIO base, on the Park’s entrance
- Navigation by the Jaú River, a river of mirror-like waters, with probable sighting of water mammals and birds.
- Trip through Pauini River, exploring this tributary filled with boulders and waterfalls.
- Return to the boat, navigation to the Aturiá community. Canoe night ride in the river, with light-spotting of alligators and nocturnal animals.

3rd day: Rio Negro (wet season)
- Speedboat trip up Gato’s stream, to a waterfall. Time to relax among the nature.
- Return to the boat. Lunch on board.
- Navigation through the Birds slope, to the Moura village.
- Exchange with the locals, purchase of supplies.
- Return to the boat, we now enter the Jauaperi Rive.

4th day: Jauaperi River/ Igarapé do Matias
- Navigation through the Jauaperi River to Igarapé do Matias, where we will visit an alternative community school, with practices in environmental education and diffusion of local culture.
- Arrival at the “caboca” community of Mirapínima. Exchange with the locals and shopping for handicrafts made out of wood and fibers, unique to all of the Rio Negro basin.
- Next to sunset, we arrive at the Xixuaú community.

5th day: Xixuaú Reserve
- Breakfast, arrive in the Xixuaú community and get to know the area and the locals.
- Prepare the group for water trails through the lakes and streams of the area, rowed by our local guides in small canoes (2 passengers max.) to observe birds and aquatic mammals. Personalized treatment.
• Viewing of giant otters, dolphins, toucans, probable siting of arborícolas monkeys searching for fruit in the flooded forest, among other animals.
• Lunch on board.
• Visit to the giant tree *Samaúma*, the biggest tree in the region. Fishing trip on canoes through the lake until nightfall. Special attention to the howler monkey calling all through the night.
• Light-spotting of alligators and nocturnal animals

6th day: Xixuaú Reserve (dry season)
• Before breakfast, observation of alligators by the riverside at the community port.

• Navigation up the river to Iluminado`s beach, the last and beautiful site before the *Waimiri-Atoari* indigenous territory. Breakfast on board.
• Swim with lifebuoys at the river`s beach.
• Meeting with João Gringo, a great storyteller.
• Visit to João’s small farm, where he grows manioc, bananas, pineapples, nuts and makes flour.
• After lunch we will rest in hammocks under the trees at the beach.
• Closer to sundown, we will take a canoe to go fishing. Most common species (depending on the bait) piranhas, pirarara, tucunaré e surubim.
• After sunset, bonfire and dinner at the beach. Light-spotting of alligators and nocturnal animals (optional).
• Storytelling of enchantments and unique animals.

7th day: Xixuaú Reserve (dry season)
• We start the day at the beach. Before breakfast we will go on water trails for observation of forest animals. Probable sighting of the red faced spider monkey (the largest one in Brazil) and giant otters.
• Return to the boat where we will navigate to the Curumin stream, of crystal clear waters. Breakfast
on board. Speedboat trip to the stream for diving with masks.
- Return to the boat. Lunch on board.
- Farewell meeting at the main maloca (an ancestral house used by the natives), handicraft exhibition, fraternization caipirinhas. Soccer match: Tourists X Locals.
- 3:00pm: We begin the trip back (non stop)

6th day: Xixuaú Reserve (wet season)
- Before breakfast, observation of alligators by the riverside at the community port.
- Breakfast on board.
- After breakfast, mini expedition to an overnight camp in the forest, at a privileged spot for wildlife observation.
- The trek is made by canoe, through crystal clear stream waters, with stops for diving and underwater life observation.
- Setting up the camp and “tapiri” construction for hammocks.
- Lunch. Menu of the day: fresh fish with side dishes on board.
- Bonfire, chats, tales and folklore of the creatures of the forest – Mapinguary, Matinta-Perêra, Curupira, Cobra Grande. Overnight stay at the hammocks.

7th day: Xixuaú Reserve (Wet season)
- We start the day at the forest. Prepare breakfast.
- 3hs trek in the old growth forest, to spot birds and mammals (Monkeys, Tapir, Sloths, White-lipped peccary), and hear all the wonderful sounds of the forest. Return to the boat. Lunch on board.
- Farewell meeting at the main maloca (an ancestral house used by the natives), handicraft exhibition, fraternization caipirinhas. Soccer match: Tourists X Locals.
- 3pm: We start our trip back (non-stop)

8th day: Novo Airão
- Predicted arrival at Novo Airão for 11:00 am.
- Interaction with pink dolphins;
- City-tour through Novo Airão, workmanship, artisan shops and other city attractions.
- Farewell lunch onboard.
- Transport Novo Airão - Manaus, arrival at 3:30 pm.
3) General Characteristics
The purpose of the regional style of the Katerre Expedition boats is to provide our clients the feeling of traveling in line boats, like the local people do, but with more comfort, safety, and onboard services. Wooden boats, ranging from 40 to 80 feet, with a solarium, covered leisure area, tables and chairs, cabins, space for hammocks, electrical power, kitchen, lunch table, washrooms, mineral water, beverages. Also: Motor rafts and canoes, according with the excursion needs.

Jacaré-Açu boat
- 3 floor Regional-Premium, 72 ft;
- Decorated cabins with air-conditioning, private bathroom, dressing table, high mattress density, goose feather pillows

Awapé boat
- 2 floor Regional-luxe, 53 ft;
- Air-conditioned cabins with private bathroom, high mattress density and goose feather pillows.

Comfort items included on the boats:
- 110/220V Energy 24/7 in all cabins;
- Bank of Batteries for conversion 220V-110V, offering clean and noise-free energy when anchored;
- GPS, Sonar, Radar, Radio, Nautical Maps, Iridium cell-phone;
- First Aid kit, pharmacy, experienced and certified team;
- Complete kitchen with oven, freezer, refrigerator, etc;
- Equipments for overnight in the jungle, Powerful flashlight for alligators spotting and Walkie-talkie radios for the trail;
- Binoculars for bird watching;
- Large photographic maps;
- Multiples leisure areas: Solarium, Living Room, Bar, Observatory and Leisure decks;
- Card games, dominoes, chess and backgammon;
- Thematic library with maps and photography books;
- Inflatable rafts and accessories for swimming in the river and waterfalls; Fishing rods;
- Leisure area with chairs and barbecue grill;
- Boats inspected/approved and fumigated;
- Optional equipment for tree climbing and parasailing.

For groups up to 7 passengers, the boat used is Awapé. For groups over 8 passengers the boat used is Jacaré-Açu. To known the availability updated, contact us at: expeditions@katerre.com
Crew
Commander, expedition chief guide, native guide, Boatman, cuisine chef, maid, waiter.

Meals
Full Board, including:
- 3 daily meals + snacks;
- Juices and mineral water at will;
- Fruit “caipirinhas” (traditional Brazilian drink);

All food is washed and cooked with mineral water
Customized menu options:
- Regional;
- International;
- Vegetarian;
- Low fat.

4) Prices and Commercial Conditions
R$ 8,790.00 / person in a double cabin.

Price for a group of no less than 4 people, including:
- Bilingual guide
- Individual travel insurance policy
- Satellite cell-phone calls for emergencies
- Rides and attractions from third parties
- Photographic map with expedition itinerary, in PDF
- Charts and graphics about the Amazon, in PDF
- Also the documentary “The Next Meal” produced by TV Cultura filmed in the region IN MP4.

For boat chartering, contact us at: expeditions@katterre.com Prices are in Brazilian Reais, and do not include airfare.

The company reserves the right to make modifications to the itinerary presented according to the river level, navigation conditions, local conditions that may interfere with the proposed activity.
Commercial Conditions
Payment of 50% upon issuance of Voucher // 50% on boarding day or by VISA / Master / Amex credit card.

In accordance with the 161 Embratur Deliberation Act (August 9, 1985), cancellation of your reservation 41 days prior to boarding will result in 10% of the total value being retained due to operational expenses. In the case of the trip being canceled 21 to 40 days prior to boarding, 50% of the total value will be retained. If the trip is canceled within 20 days prior to boarding, we will retain 80% of the total value of the package.

We point out that our prices are determined according with the fair value policy, and are the sum of costs of the Amazon river transport logistics, fuel expenses, maintenance program, specialized crew, top quality food, rides, attractions and the whole infra-structure necessary for a peaceful and safe trip.

Furthermore, we offer our clients the genuine feel that only mobile tourism can offer, with spontaneous moments during the trip, both man-made and Nature-made.