

Marajó Day Tour, 12 hours

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Designed for travelers with limited time who still want a meaningful introduction to Marajó Island, the Largest Island in Brazil, this full-day experience combines a river crossing, the broad landscapes of the Amazon estuary, and direct contact with cultural expressions that help define Marajoara identity.

More than a simple day trip, this is a carefully curated introduction to some of Marajó's most emblematic dimensions: the grandeur of its waters, the continuity of local traditions, and the symbolic strength of Marajoara ceramics—one of the most important ancestral legacies of the peoples who once lived, and still live, on the island. It is an intense yet rewarding program, ideal for travelers who want to gain a sense of Marajó's cultural and scenic singularity in a single day.

Program Highlights

- The river crossing between Belém and Marajó, with expansive views of the Amazon estuary and the vast waters that define the region.
- A cultural experience in Soure, with visits to workshops that reveal Marajoara identity through ceramics and leatherwork.
- Marajoara ceramics, presented as one of the island's principal ancestral legacies and as a living expression of its cultural memory.
- Encounters with the work of artisans Carlos Amaral and Ronaldo Guedes, along with a visit to a Leather Workshop and Tannery linked to an important legacy of life on Marajó.
- A deeper understanding of Marajó through Soure, where culture, memory and everyday life help interpret the island's identity.

Itinerary

6:00 AM – Departure from the hotels in Belém

The day begins early with transfer from the hotels in Belém to the embarkation terminal. From the outset, the experience invites guests to shift their rhythm: leaving the capital and heading toward Marajó also means entering a different landscape, scale and atmosphere.

The river crossing to the island is far more than transportation. It is an essential part of the day itself. Along the route, guests take in the vast waters that define the eastern gateway to the Amazon and gradually begin to understand the geographic and symbolic scale of the Marajó archipelago. This movement across broad rivers and open horizons helps set the tone for what will unfold on land.

After arriving in Marajó and completing the necessary transfers to Soure, we begin an immersion into one of the island's most distinctive cultural dimensions: its artistic and material traditions. Soure serves here as a gateway to understanding Marajó not only as landscape, but also as a territory of creation, memory and continuity.

Throughout the morning, we visit the Marajoara Ceramics Studio of artisan Carlos Amaral, whose work draws inspiration from Aruã culture, and then continue to the studio of artisan Ronaldo Guedes, where contemporary pieces engage with different Indigenous references and local materials such as mangrove wood. We conclude this stage at the Leather Workshop and Tannery, where guests are introduced to the artisanal process behind

leather goods, a cultural legacy closely tied to the old ranches and to the presence of buffalo on the island.

More than a series of isolated visits, this part of the day offers insight into how Marajó transforms material, territory and memory into living cultural expression. Ceramics, in particular, hold a central place in this interpretation, as they point to an ancestral legacy that remains one of the strongest symbols of Marajoara identity.

Lunch

During our time in Soure, there will be a break for lunch (not included), according to the pace of the day and the logistics adopted for the operation. This is also a moment when guests may enjoy the atmosphere of the town more freely, taking in the surroundings and experiencing the Marajoara ambiance at a more relaxed pace.

Depending on the logistical solution adopted for the day, the group may remain longer in Soure before beginning the return journey, making the experience smoother and more comfortable both for guests and for the host-guide's management of the day.

In mid-afternoon, or shortly after the stay in Soure, we begin the return journey to Belém. The crossing once again becomes part of the experience, closing the day with the same sense that opens it: the understanding that Marajó is not defined only by the places visited, but also by its routes, distances and the singular scale of its geography.

Return to Belém and transfer to the hotels

Arrival in Belém will depend on the crossing modality adopted on the day. In operations returning by ferry via Camará, the estimated arrival time is around 7:00 PM. In operations returning by speedboat directly from Soure, the estimated arrival time is around 4:00 PM. As this tour depends on regular navigation and variable logistical conditions, we recommend not scheduling it for the same day as your departure flight from Belém.

Notes on the itinerary

1. This is a full-day excursion with long river transfers, and the operation is subject to vessel schedules and logistical conditions along the route. For this reason, we recommend not taking it on the day of your departure flight from Belém.
2. For logistical reasons, transportation between Belém and Marajó may be carried out by ferryboat or speedboat, embarking and disembarking via Camará or directly in Soure, according to the day's operation, vehicle availability on the island, group size, and the option that allows for the smoothest overall flow of the experience.
3. The order of activities may be adjusted by the host-guide without affecting the overall purpose of the tour, according to operational conditions, availability of local partners, or itinerary improvements.

Included: Tours as described in the program; arrival and departure land transfers in Belém and Marajó in a private air-conditioned vehicle; river crossings in tourist class by ferryboat or speedboat, according to the day's operation; accompaniment by a Portuguese/English-speaking host-guide during the activities.

Not included: Meals, beverages and other services or activities not mentioned above.

What to bring: We recommend light clothing, comfortable walking shoes or sandals, a hat or cap, sunscreen, a rain jacket or umbrella, insect repellent, and plastic bags or waterproof pouches for documents, electronics and personal items. We also recommend bringing only the essentials for a full-day excursion.

Departures: Sep 19, 20, 21, 22, 23 and 24, 2026.

Duration: Approx. 12 hours, subject to variation depending on the crossing modality adopted on the day.

Group size: 2 to 12 guests.

Activities: River crossing, short walks and cultural visits.

Guest profile: Recommended for travelers interested in culture, landscape and full-day experiences, and who are in good general health.

Prerequisites: None.

Physical effort level: Light to moderate, with long transfers and the need for good energy over the course of an extended day.

Description of the place: Marajó Island, **the Largest Island in Brazil**, occupies a singular position in the Amazon estuary and brings together landscapes of open fields, rivers, villages and highly distinctive cultural traditions. Soure is among the island's best-known destinations and offers guests a compelling combination of memory, cultural production and ways of life that help interpret Marajoara identity.

Among these expressions, Marajoara ceramics hold a central place. Far more than decorative objects, they represent one of the island's most important ancestral legacies and remain a living language of its cultural history. Alongside them, leatherwork reveals another striking dimension of Marajó, closely tied to the presence of buffalo and to the legacy of the old ranches.

To visit Marajó, even in a single day, is to encounter a human and natural landscape of remarkable singularity, where movement, culture and territory come together in an experience that feels intense, authentic and memorable.

Medical restrictions: Not recommended for guests who are highly sensitive to motion sickness on boats or who are not in good general health.

Safety management system: Yes.

Emergency assistance: No.

Accessibility and comfort features for guests with mobility or special assistance needs: Limited.

Minimum age: 8 years.

Maximum age: Open, subject to medical restrictions and the extended transfer time.

Visitation rules apply: Yes.

Responsible conduct practices in natural environments: Yes.

Risk acknowledgment form and medical questionnaire required: No.

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