

Marajó Island Extension, 3 days 2 nights

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A journey to Marajó offers access to one of the Amazon's most distinctive cultural landscapes. Over 3 days and 2 nights, this extension invites guests to experience Marajó Island, the Largest Island in Brazil, through a route that combines river crossings, beaches, mangroves, popular traditions, local gastronomy, 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.

More than a sequence of tours, this is a carefully layered experience designed to reveal Marajó through its riverside life, open fields and waterways, ceramic traditions, the striking presence of buffalo, local hospitality, the flavors of Marajó Cheese, and the vitality of the island's cultural expressions. It is a journey that brings together contemplation, movement, learning and authentic experiences, at a pace that allows guests to engage with the territory beyond its postcard images.

Program Highlights

- The river crossing between Belém and Marajó, through the expansive landscapes of the Amazon estuary.
- A visit to the Community and Beach of Céu, in a region historically linked to the former royal fishing grounds of the colonial period.
- A culinary experience at a farm producing Marajó Cheese.
- Encounters with Marajoara Ceramics through visits to workshops, cultural spaces and a hands-on workshop.
- A boat trip through mangrove areas on the Marajó coast, within the largest continuous mangrove belt in the world.
- A carimbó experience in Soure, through circles, performances and local cultural programming.

Itinerary Summary

Day 1 – Departure for Marajó / Visit to the Community and Beach of Céu / Culinary experience at a Marajó Cheese farm

Day 2 – Discovering Marajoara Ceramics / Pesqueiro Beach / Boat trip through mangrove areas / Carimbó in Soure

Day 3 – Marajoara Ceramics Workshop / Return to Belém

Detailed Itinerary

Day 1

Departure for Marajó

The journey begins with transfer from the hotels in Belém to the Belém Waterway Terminal or to the Icoaraci Ferry Port, from where we continue toward Marajó. Lasting approximately 2 to 3 hours, the crossing is already part of the experience itself: along the route, we

navigate the Amazon estuary, pass through Belém's island region and Marajó Bay, and finally reach the island where we will stay.

More than transportation, this first stage introduces guests to the scale, vastness and singularity of Marajó. Arrival on the island also marks a shift into a different rhythm of travel—one more closely connected to landscape, water and local ways of life.

According to arrival time and the availability of the selected accommodation, the host-guide will organize the beginning of the program in the smoothest possible way. When early check-in is available, it will be arranged; when it is not, the day's schedule will be adjusted to make the best use of time without affecting the overall purpose of the trip.

Visit to the Community and Beach of Céu

After disembarkation, we continue to the Village and Beach of Céu, a small fishing community where the Marajoara atmosphere reveals itself with simplicity and authenticity. The region where Céu and Vila do Pesqueiro are located today still preserves links to the former royal fishing grounds, a colonial structure connected to fishing activities organized by the Portuguese Crown in the Amazon. This historical layer adds depth to what now appears as a peaceful landscape and a quietly rooted community life.

Here, guests encounter an environment shaped by direct contact with the beach, everyday local life and a landscape that invites rest and contemplation. This is also the moment for lunch and for a brief pause, allowing the group to settle naturally into the island's rhythm.

Culinary experience at a farm producing Marajó Cheese

Next, we continue to Fazenda Mironga, a Marajoara cheese-producing farm where guests encounter one of the island's most emblematic gastronomic expressions: Marajó Cheese, made from buffalo milk and recognized as a product of strong regional identity.

More than simply discovering a typical food, this stage presents the cheese as part of a culinary culture deeply connected to the territory, the open fields and the presence of buffalo on Marajó. During the visit, the group gets to know the farm, gains insight into its productive routine, and may enjoy direct contact with the animals—whether riding, milking or simply interacting with them in an authentic rural setting.

The experience concludes with a tasting menu of cheeses, breads, tapiocas, juices, sweets and herbs, offering a sensory introduction to an important dimension of Marajoara identity.

We return to the hotel after sunset. Evening at leisure.

Meals: Tasting menu.

Day 2

Discovering Marajoara Ceramics

While we wait for the right tide for the day's main river activity, we set out to discover one of Marajó's deepest cultural dimensions: Marajoara Ceramics, one of the island's principal ancestral legacies and a living expression of its cultural memory.

We visit Arte Manguê Marajó, the studio of contemporary artist Ronaldo Guedes, where pieces inspired by Marajoara culture engage in dialogue with contemporary elements and with materials collected from beaches and mangroves. We then continue to Instituto Caruanas do Marajó, founded by writer and healer Zeneida Lima, a space that gathers copies and replicas of Marajoara pieces and develops important projects aimed at preserving traditional cultures and supporting children and young people from the region.

More than observing objects and techniques, this stage helps guests understand ceramics as cultural language, material memory and continuity of knowledge passed down through generations in Marajó.

Pesqueiro Beach

Before the day's main river activity, we continue to Pesqueiro Beach, one of the best-known settings in the Soure region. The very name of the place points to the long-standing relationship between territory, fishing and human occupation. Today, guests encounter an open landscape defined by the meeting of beach, vegetation and Marajoara atmosphere, offering a lighter and more relaxed moment along the journey.

Boat trip through mangrove areas

With favorable tide conditions, we continue to the pier on the banks of the Paracuary River, from where we depart aboard a regional motorized boat for a navigation experience through mangrove areas. When conditions are suitable, the route will be carried out through Furo Miguelão, a traditional passage beneath mangrove and igapó forest. In periods of rain or when fallen trees block this route, the operation may be transferred to the RESEX Marinha de Soure area, on the Uruci River, without affecting the overall purpose of the experience.

In either case, guests come into contact with one of the most important ecosystems on the Amazon coast. The mangroves of Pará's coastline form the largest continuous mangrove belt in the world, and this ecosystem is also notable for its extraordinary capacity to capture and store carbon, with soil stocks higher per area than those of other vegetated Brazilian biomes. Beyond their climatic relevance, mangroves are essential to biodiversity and to coastal and estuarine ways of life.

During the activity, a stop for a river swim is planned, making the experience even more sensory and more connected to the territory. We then return to the hotel.

Experiencing carimbó

In the evening, we continue to a carimbó experience in Soure, a cultural manifestation deeply rooted in the Amazon and one of the most vibrant expressions of Marajoara collective memory. More than simply watching a performance, this part of the trip invites guests to connect with the island's cultural pulse: the sound of the drums, the circular movement of the dance, the communal energy and the continuity of a tradition that remains alive in the city's everyday life.

Soure currently hosts regular circles, performances and cultural gatherings, which expands the experience beyond the idea of a simple rehearsal. When guests are in town on a Saturday night, we will seek participation in the most traditional local circle, held at AMPAC (Associação dos Moradores do Bairro do Pacoval). On other evenings, the experience may take place in other cultural spaces or local programs available in the city, according to the current schedule.

Before the cultural program, the host-guide may suggest, for those who wish, dinner at Cozinha Tucupi, a restaurant that interprets Marajoara gastronomy in a particularly refined and personal way, offering a more poetic reading of the island's flavors.

We return to the hotel after the activity.

Meals: Not included.

Day 3

Marajoara Ceramics Workshop

After breakfast, we return to Arte Manguê Marajó to take part in a ceramics workshop, in which each guest will be able to shape a piece using techniques inspired by ancestral traditions.

This is one of the most symbolic moments of the trip. After moving through the island's landscapes, flavors and cultural expressions, guests are invited to engage more closely with one of Marajó's deepest legacies: Marajoara Ceramics, the material expression of ancestral peoples who developed, in this territory, a culture of extraordinary aesthetic and symbolic sophistication. More than an object, Marajoara ceramics carry memory, worldview and cultural continuity.

By placing their hands in the clay, guests move beyond observation and begin to experience—albeit in an introductory and respectful way—a gesture that speaks to the long relationship between creation, territory and identity on the island. The workshop thus becomes a fitting and memorable close to the journey, reconnecting the traveler with the earth, the material and the continuity of a tradition that remains alive in Marajó.

Transfers to Belém

Afterward, we transfer to the port and embark on the return journey to Belém. Arrival in the capital is followed by transfer to the airport or to the hotels, according to the traveler's program.

Meals: Not included.

Notes on the itinerary

1. Soure currently has a regular program of carimbó circles and performances. When guests are in town on a Saturday night, we will seek participation in the traditional AMPAC circle, in the Pacoval neighborhood. On other evenings, the experience may take place in other available cultural programs in the city, according to the schedule and local confirmation.
2. Estimated arrival time in Belém, using the preferred transport options, is between 4:00 PM and 8:00 PM, depending on the best operational choice on the day. For greater peace of mind, we recommend booking departure flights from Belém from 10:00 PM onward. When possible, a more comfortable alternative is to add an overnight stay in Belém and fly the following day.
3. Please consult possible connections between this program and other itineraries in Belém and/or other regions.
4. Check-in times at hotels and guesthouses in Marajó generally begin at 1:00 PM. As arrival and departure times may not align with this window, the host-guide will adjust the program in the smoothest possible way, according to accommodation availability and the day's operational dynamics.
5. The order of activities may be adjusted by the host-guide without affecting the overall purpose of the trip, according to tide, operational conditions, availability of local partners, or itinerary improvements. When necessary, the navigation originally planned for Furo Miguelão may be carried out in the RESEX Marinha de Soure area, on the Uruci River.

Included:

- All tours and experiences described in the program.
- Arrival and departure land transfers in Belém and Marajó in a private air-conditioned vehicle.
- River crossings Belém / Marajó / Belém in tourist class, by ferryboat or speedboat, according to the day's operation.
- Visit to the Community and Beach of Céu, with lunch stop at the traveler's own expense.
- Culinary experience at Fazenda Mironga, including a Marajó Cheese experience and a tasting menu.
- Visits to Arte Mangue Marajó and Instituto Caruanas do Marajó, with a focus on the interpretation of Marajoara Ceramics and other cultural expressions of the island.
- Boat trip through mangrove areas, via Furo Miguelão or, when necessary, in the RESEX Marinha de Soure area on the Uruci River, according to operational conditions.
- River swim during the river activity, according to the day's program.
- Participation in a carimbó program in Soure, with the participation fee already included in the program price.
- Marajoara Ceramics Workshop.
- Accompaniment by a Portuguese/English-speaking host-guide during the activities.
- Accommodation: may be booked directly by the guest or by RNX, according to traveler preference and the final configuration of the reservation.

Not included: Meals, except when expressly mentioned as included in the program. 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 multi-day trip. Please leave at your hotel in Belém any extra luggage that you will not need in Marajó.

Departures: Sep 18–20, 19–21, 20–22, 21–23, 22–24, 23–25, 24–26 and 25–27, 2026.

Duration: 3 days and 2 nights.

Group size: 2 to 12 guests.

Activities: River crossings, short walks, cultural visits, culinary experiences, boat trip through mangrove areas, river swim, beach time, participation in a carimbó program and a Marajoara Ceramics Workshop.

Guest profile: Recommended for travelers interested in culture, landscape, gastronomy and authentic Amazonian experiences, and who are able to take part in an itinerant and active program and are in good general health.

Prerequisites: None.

Physical effort level: Light to moderate, with long transfers, embarkation and disembarkation at simple structures, short walks, navigation segments and the need for good energy over the course of a three-day program.

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, beaches, mangroves, villages and highly distinctive cultural traditions. On longer programs such as this extension, guests have the opportunity to appreciate the island's human and natural diversity in greater depth, going well beyond a brief visit and encountering different expressions of its identity.

Soure is among Marajó'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 occupy 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, the gastronomy of Marajó Cheese, the presence of buffalo and the popular culture of carimbó reveal other striking dimensions of Marajoara life.

Over three days, the trip allows guests to understand Marajó as a human and natural landscape of remarkable singularity, where movement, culture, gastronomy 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 times.

Visitation rules apply: Yes.

Responsible conduct practices in natural environments: Yes.

Risk acknowledgment form and medical questionnaire required: No.

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