



**Kaieteur Falls & Iwokrama Combined**

**Duration: 4 days**

**Price: USD\$ 1,695 per person**

**Minimum Group Size: 4 persons**

**Category: Moderate Adventure**

Kaieteur National Park, is home to Guyana’s premier tourist destination, Kaieteur Falls, a spectacular site, five times higher than Niagara Falls, and one of the most powerful waterfalls in the world. First seen by Europeans in 1870 it was known to indigenous people before this – the legend is that it was named after a great chief. Although there are taller and wider falls, Kaieteur’s distinction comes from its combination of both volume of water and height.

Iwokrama Forest covers nearly a million acres and is home to a bewildering array of different species. Its name means ‘place of refuge’ in the language of the Makushi Amerindians, who retreated here to avoid the predations of the slave trade. Iwokrama was established as a centre for the study of the rainforest and has been set aside to promote sustainable tourism within the region. Wildlife here includes Jaguar, Caiman, Howler and Spider Monkeys, rodents such as Pacas and Agoutis, and Peccaries among numerous other species. The birdlife here is equally spectacular, with Toucans, Macaws, Hummingbirds and the sought after Guianan Cock-of-the-Rock. The Iwokrama Rainforest is a vast wilderness of one million acres. This protected area was established in 1996 as the Iwokrama International Centre for Rainforest Conservation and Development. The Forest is in the homeland of the Makushi people, who have lived here and used the forest for thousands of years



**Friday- Georgetown to Iwokrama River Lodge:** 07.00 hrs, transfer to Eugene F.

Correia for your flight to the Iwokrama Rainforest Reserve. Today, explore the trails around the river lodge with an Iwokrama Ranger and venture out on the trail, which is one of the best places to see the elusive jaguar. Overnight Iwokrama River Lodge (LD)



**Saturday- Turtle Mt Hike & Piraiba Lodge:**

After breakfast, journey by boat down the Essequibo River to Turtle Mountain, for an exhilarating climb up the mountain to its summit at 935ft (approx. 360m). It takes 1 3/4hrs

to walk up the mountain, but the effort is more than worth it for the breathtaking views over the forest canopy when you get there and chances of Green Aracari, White Bellbird or a fly-by of one of five types of Eagles. This trail is also a great location for seeing Black Spider Monkey and Red Howler Monkey and if we are very lucky even a Jaguar. This pristine forest offers huge buttress trees and the endemic Greenheart, a highly sought after



hardwood. Return to the River Lodge for lunch and continue by boat up the Essequibo River. The boat ride ends at Adventure Guianas Piraiba (Lau Lau) Lodge, which is situated on the Eastern Bank of the Essequibo River, deep into the Jungles of Guyana. This facility offers guests a mixture of comfort and rusticity, surrounded by pristine rainforest, full of wildlife. This evening we would do a bit of fishing whilst observing the several species of macaws, toucans etc returning to their habitats to sleep. After dark, we’ll set out on the river, in hopes of finding the Black Caiman and listen for night birds such as Spectacled Owl, White-winged Potoo, Rufous Potoo, Long-tailed Potoo, Zigzag Heron or Blackish Night

Jar. Overnight Piraiba Lodge (BLD)

**Sunday- Piraiba Lodge to Kaieteur Falls:** Take a quiet river tour further up the mighty Essequibo River, amidst lots of birdlife, hoping to see the Capybara, Giant Otter, Tapir, Primates (common are the Red Howler, Spider, Capuchins & Squirrel Monkeys) and even the elusive Jaguar, maybe feasting on a Giant River Turtle or Arapaima or just swimming from one bank to the other, before the boat ride to Iwokrama Airstrip for a 20 minutes flight to Kaieteur Falls. (B)

- Usually the flight is at 10.00 hrs but this can vary depending on weather, flight schedule etc

Kaieteur Falls, is also home to the Golden Frog and astonishingly beautiful Guianan –cock-of-the-rock. Tour the various view -points



at your own leisure with a private

guide, and in the evening, witness thousands of swifts making their way back to their habitat behind the falls, whilst having an open air dinner: Overnight Kaieteur Guest House (BLD)



**Monday- Tour of Kaieteur Plateau & Return Flight to Georgetown:** Witness the Swifts leaving their habitats in the midst of mist; explore the unique flora and fauna, some of which are endemic to the Kaieteur Plateau before your midday flight

- \*On occasion the flight time can vary depending on weather, flight schedule etc

**Included:**

Airport transfers

Domestic flights

All accommodation

Services of English speaking guides – please note that you will have a different guide in each place on the itinerary, rather than the same guide throughout the trip

Meals as listed (B – Breakfast, L – Lunch, D – Dinner)

Entrance fees for sites listed as part of the itinerary

**Excluded:**

International flights

Any airport taxes

Travel Insurance

Visas

Alcoholic Drinks

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Standard Check List-All may not be applicable

1. Broad rim or peaked sun hat.
2. Lightweight, quick dry, light colored long pants and shirts
3. Lightweight socks that dry quickly.
4. Shorts, bathing suit, T-shirts (ideally light color cotton)
5. Slippers or sandals
6. Appropriate boots
7. Sunscreen and chap stick
8. Insect repellent
9. Medications for specific personal conditions (for allergic reactions, heart conditions, digestive disturbances, malaria prevention etc.)
10. Calamine lotion or sunburn cream
11. Sunglasses (ideally with carrying straps)
12. Small personal first aid kit (aspirins, small bandages, rubbing alcohol, antibiotic cream, diarrhea medication, gauze pads and rolls of tape insect cream)
13. Plastic water bottle
14. Backpack
15. Personal toiletries (toothbrush, paste, soap, small towel, etc.)
16. Small flashlight and extra batteries
17. Camera, lenses, films, memory card
18. Copy Biographic page of Passport
19. Requisite Visas (Check with Respective Embassies).
20. Yellow Fever Vaccination Card

