

# Danpaati River Lodge



*Danpaati River Lodge is more than just your dream destination ... Besides enjoying our beautiful lodge you can also enjoy various activities on and around the island. How about exciting evening excursions in search of caimans? From village walks where you come into direct contact with the inhabitants of the area? From instructive forest walks, varying from one hour to a whole day? Or from a canoe excursion to deserted creeks and exciting rapids ...? There is also a booklet at Danpaati River Lodge with a description of all the flora and fauna on the island, with which you can make an independent walk. The paths are paved and illuminated in the evening. The island is therefore ideal for independent walks. Thanks to the stairs you can step into the river and through the beach, which is almost dry all year round, you can swim safely and especially safely in the river. Because Danpaati River Lodge is just a bit further than most lodges along the river, you can enjoy the undisturbed peace of the Amazon rainforest. Do you need help or questions about the many excursions that are possible? Of course the guide is ready to answer all your questions!*

## Location :

Danpaati River Lodge is located on an island in the Upper Suriname River. About 200 km south of the capital of Suriname, Paramaribo. In the middle of the tropical rainforest, surrounded only by the unspoiled nature of the Amazon and some small villages you will find Danpaati River Lodge.

## Tourdescription:

*For travelers who have opted for the 3- day / 2 nights Danpaati tour.*

### Day 01: Paramaribo – Danpaati

The 3-day tour to the Danpaati River Lodge starts early in the morning when you are picked up by an air-conditioned bus that will take you to Atjoni. From Paramaribo it takes 3 hours (including sanitary stops) before you arrive at Atjoni. There is a motorized canoe which will take you to Danpaati River Lodge in about 2 ½ \* hours. Arriving at Danpaati, the lodge manager welcomes you and discusses, with a cool drink, the program for the next 3 days with you. Afterwards you can enjoy a delicious local lunch. One of the employees then guides you to your cabin, where you have time to unpack, refresh and rest. If you are equipped you can take a guided tour on the island, which you can also do on your own. In the late afternoon you will be taken by motorized canoe to a "natural jacuzzi" (called Sula's), to swim and enjoy (depending on the height of the water level). At 20:00, dinner is served, consisting of a combination of local dishes with Western influences. Afterwards you can enjoy your meal on your balcony or in the attractive bar / lounge drankje kennis maken met de fascinerende oerwoudgeluiden.

## **Day 2: Danpaati ( Village walk en Caimanspotting )**

After a delicious breakfast it is time to explore the area around Danpaati. An experienced guide will take you on a village walk in the village of Dan. Here you will learn about the unique way of life of the local Maroon people and their traditional habits and customs that their ancestors brought with them from Africa. Back from the village walk, after a delicious lunch, you have time to swim, relax or book additional tours. In the evening after dinner there is an exciting adventure on the program, the Cayman Tour. You can enjoy (on a cloudless evening) a beautiful starry sky and the silence of the Amazon rainforest, while the boatswain will look for caimans and night swallows with you.

*Caimanspotting is exclusive*

## **Day 3 Danpaati – Paramaribo**

On day 3, after breakfast there is a brisk forest walk on the program. During this walk you will get acquainted with traditional and medicinal trees and plants and you will encounter a few exotic animals and insects with a bit of luck. Around 12:00 you are back at Danpaati where a delicious lunch is waiting for you. Then it is time to say goodbye to Danpaati. The boatswain will take you back to Atjoni by motorized canoe, where you will travel by bus to Paramaribo.

*For travelers who decided to do the 4-day / 3-night tour. On the 4 day tour to the Danpaati River Lodge, the day program of day 1 and 2 is the same as that of the 3 day tour*

## **.Day 3: jungewalk and cultural dance performance**

On day 3, after breakfast there is a brisk forest walk on the program. During this walk you will get acquainted with traditional and medicinal trees and plants and you will encounter a few exotic animals and insects with a bit of luck. You will be back at around 12:00

Danpaati where a delicious lunch awaits you. Later in the evening, after dinner, you can enjoy a special cultural dance performance. Traditional dances such as the Seketi, Awasa and Bandamba will be performed. The guide will explain the meaning of these dances.

**Note: the cultural dance evening is only offered with a minimum of 8 guests and is not included in the standard program.**

## **Day 4: Danpaati – Paramaribo**

Enjoy swimming, kayaking, enjoying nature or just relaxing in a hammock, you can do all on your last day on the island. You can decide that yourself. You will have the opportunity to book one of our other fantastic tours before you have to say goodbye to Danpaati after lunch. The boatswain will take you back to Atjoni by motorized canoe, where you will travel by bus to Paramaribo.

*\* Note: at normal water level. In the dry time at a low water level, this boat trip can end with an hour or more.*

## **Included in the tour**

- Transport on tour days: by bus / boat
- Boat trips by canoe with outboard
- Forest and village walks accompanied by local guides
- 3 meals per day during the stay in the interior;
- Coffee, tea, syrup and water throughout the day
- Overnight stays in comfortable lodges with bath and toilet
- Bath and towels are provided, however, it is not allowed to use them outside the accommodations. It is advisable to bring your own towel for when swimming. Shampoo and shower gel are provided.
- Professional Dutch and English speaking guide throughout the tour program.

### Excluded in the tour:

- Cayman tour
- Cultural dance performance
- Tip
- Accident and travel insurance

### What to take with you during the tour:

- Flashlight with spare batteries
- A headgear (cap / hat)
- 1 long pants and shirt with long sleeve against burning and in the evening against mosquitoes
- Sufficient film and / or video equipment
- Batteries
- Light clothes
- Bath towels
- Swimwear
- Raincoat or poncho or umbrella
- Sneakers and water shoes
- Insect repellent
- suntan lotion
- Flashlight and spare batteries
- Personal stuff
- Surinamese money for buying souvenirs and your possible calculation

### Notes:

Our standard packages are fully catered for. Soft drinks and alcoholic drinks are available at the bar against payment. If you still want to bring your own beverage, you must take care of the cooling (ice) of the drinks. Even if you bring food, we can not keep it refrigerated for you, because we want to exclude that contamination with our stock could occur. An exception is made if you use a special diet with ingredients that are not available on the Surinamese market.

### Time schedule:

*The timeschedule of the tour is indicated in days*

### 3 days/ 2 nights Danpaati Tour

Day	Activity
1	PBM – Danpaati
2	Village walk & Caimanspotting
3	Back to Paramaribo

### 4 daagse/ 3 nachten Danpaati Tour

Day	Activity
1	PBM – Danpaati
2	Village walk + caimanspotting
3	Jungle walk and cultural dance performance
4	Back to Paramaribo

*\*\*Note: you depart from one of the large hotels in Paramaribo and will be dropped of after your tour at the same hotel.*

*Subject to changes*