



# Acute Angling - Exotic Fishing Trips

## FISHING NEWS - ACUTE ANGLING'S NEWSLETTER

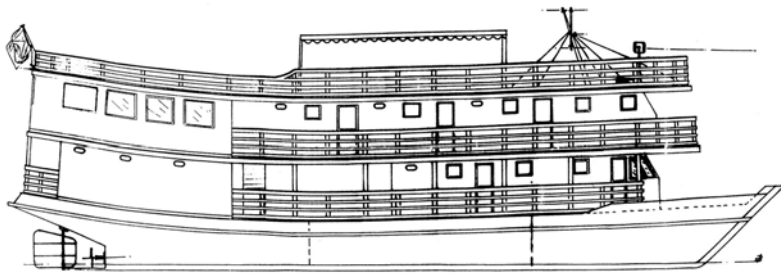
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### 2007- 08 Season Getting Underway

We're gearing up for what looks to be another great fishing season. Amazon River water levels are at precisely normal stage for this time of year, right at the 92 year average. The signs are propitious for the upcoming start of our season in mid-September. Perhaps it's because of our new yacht, or simply the result of the excellent conditions we enjoyed last year,



Enjoy comfortable mother-ship living on our brand new, air-conditioned "Blackwater Explorer" yacht.



Enjoy barefoot, beach-front living in our air-conditioned floating bungalow camps.

#### .... Summer Notes ....

• **Additional Dates** - We've had a tremendous response to our Jatapo variety trips. The original dates filled so quickly that we've decided to make additional dates available for this exciting trip. See the article on page 6

• **Our Schedule** - In order to make it most useful as a trip selection guide, our schedule on page 7 will now focus primarily on dates with remaining availability. For dates not shown, or to plan group dates, please call us.

### Great Trip Options Remain, but Space is Filling Fast.

but our trip rosters have filled quickly this season. As of this writing, we have only 33 spaces remaining on our regularly scheduled peacock bass trips. If you've been thinking about a trip this upcoming season, now's the time to get your date confirmed and your space reserved. To give you a feel for

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Catch giant Peacocks and giant catfish in the same waters

The fishing action is continuous on our Rio Unini yacht trips.



# Great trip options remain, but space is filling fast - Available Openings -

the options, here's a short review of the trip types remaining with available open spaces.

**Our new "Blackwater Explorer" yacht** is almost fully booked up for the season. The big, comfortable new boat is going to be one of the most attractive vessels sailing the Amazon basin. But more importantly, she's been built to fish. Her broad beam maximizes her functional interior space while keeping her total length manageably short. This gives the vessel great maneuverability, letting us safely and easily penetrate into previously inaccessible, meandering headwaters streams. The yacht's impressively low draft (she displaces only 1.2 meters of water) allows her to readily pass shallow sandbars and obstructions that would keep less efficiently designed boats back in port.

The Blackwater Explorer was designed for fishermen. Her well-organized debarkation deck lets a full group of anglers get started on their fishing day quickly, without crowding, fuss or confusion. The debarkation deck's waterline exit lets you walk right onto your fishing boat with no ladders to climb. There are storage lockers right at the boarding point where all your fishing gear and take-along items can remain, right at hand and ready to go when you are. Cameras can be stored at ambient temperature so they're ready for that first fish of the day, without "defrosting". We've done our best to think it through and we believe we've come up with what may be the best purpose-built fishing vessel in the Amazon Basin. Come and enjoy it with us.

**The yacht moves into the famous Unini River** for the second grouping of the season. Known for its giant peacock bass (we've caught them up to 26 pounds here), there are true world record possibilities in this fishery. As if that wasn't enough, the Unini boast a remarkable population of giant red-tailed cats (we've caught them up to 100 pounds here). When you just can't sling another lure at the end of a full day of peacock bass fishing, the cats are always ready and waiting to challenge whatever energy you have remaining. A big, broad shouldered red-tail will give you and your gear a fishing test you won't soon forget. This great fishery is closed to all commercial fishing and unauthorized entry.

Remaining Unini River Yacht trip spaces are shown below.

| Unini River - Blackwater Explorer |               |         |        |                |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------|--------|----------------|
| #                                 | Departs       | Returns | Price  | Availability   |
| 2                                 | Nov. 23, 2007 | Dec. 2  | \$3850 | - 4 openings - |
| 3                                 | Nov. 30, 2007 | Dec. 9  | \$3850 | - 6 openings - |
| 4                                 | Feb. 7, 2008  | Feb. 16 | \$3850 | - open -       |
|                                   | Feb. 28, 2008 | Mar. 8  | \$3850 | - open -       |

## Acute Angling's Yacht Trips - Best Values in the Amazon

All of our comfortably air-conditioned, mobile peacock bass facilities, including our beautiful new Blackwater Explorer yacht and our remarkable aluminum floating bungalows, now provide full-sized private bathrooms.

**Our first trip grouping** operates in the Igapo Acu region in the Rio Madeira basin during September and October. Enclosed within a giant Indian reservation, this pristine region is available exclusively to our operations and closed to all commercial fishing by negotiated agreement. The fishery boasts four meandering, productive peacock bass rivers and the amazing Lago Tacuia, a giant flooded forest with some of the most exciting fishing waters you'll ever encounter. Characterized by great numbers of fish with terrific fly fishing conditions, the Blackwater Explorer will cruise throughout this immense protected region during the course of each trip, concentrating on the most productive waters. At just \$3250, this package is certainly the best value in the Amazon, but time is getting short and just a few openings remain.

Remaining Igapo Acu spaces are shown below.

| Igapo Acu Region - Blackwater Explorer |                |         |        |                |
|--|----------------|---------|--------|----------------|
| #                                      | Departs        | Returns | Price  | Availability   |
| 2                                      | Sept. 26, 2007 | Oct. 5  | \$3250 | - 2 openings - |
| 3                                      | Oct. 3, 2007   | Oct. 12 | \$3250 | - 3 openings - |
| 4                                      | Oct. 10, 2007  | Oct. 19 | \$3250 | - 4 openings - |

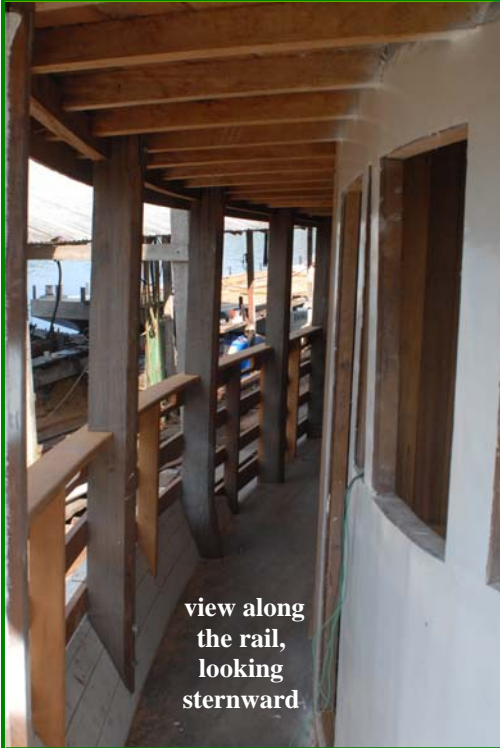
**Our Black Water Exploratory trips** are the third grouping with remaining available space for the upcoming season. Designed to quickly take advantage of the best water conditions, these trips focus on accessing waters that haven't been fished before. Depending on conditions, we'll move into the part of the basin that offers the best fishing options at the moment. These are often our most productive and exciting trips, offering a chance at virgin waters and fish that have never seen a bait. The mobile floating bungalows move into new waters while anglers fish their way along ahead of the camp. At days end, your comfortable bungalow is waiting, arrayed along a beautiful white sand beach. The units provide surprising comfort in the middle of the world's largest rainforest.

| Fall Exploratory - Floating Bungalow Trip |               |         |        |                |
|---|---------------|---------|--------|----------------|
| #   | Departs       | Returns | Price  | Availability   |
| 2   | Nov. 23, 2007 | Dec. 2  | \$3850 | - 6 openings - |
| 3   | Nov. 30, 2007 | Dec. 9  | \$3850 | - 2 openings - |
| 4   | Dec. 7, 2007  | Dec. 16 | \$3850 | - 3 openings - |

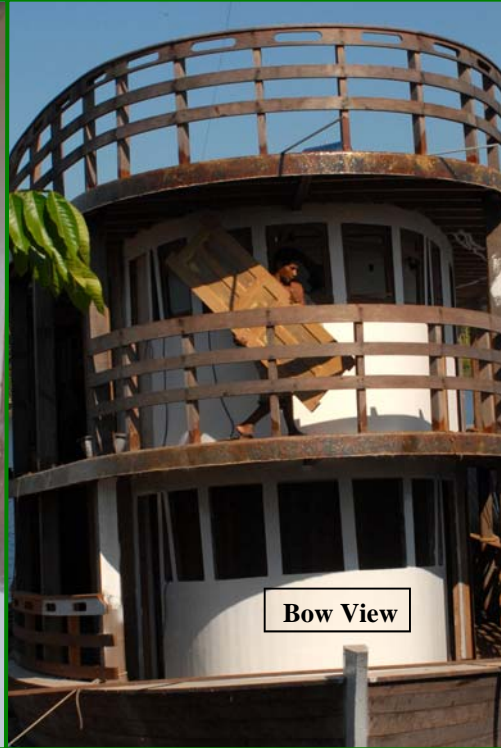
# Blackwater Explorer - Progress Report

After two years of planning and a year in construction, we're almost there. Although she's not quite finished (as you can see), her structure is complete and she's wired, air-conditioned and plumbed. Fiberglass is being applied, wood is being varnished and the doors are being mounted. The photos below were taken June 30th, 2007 and we're pleased to say they're already out of date. We're getting down to the final details and the finishing touches.

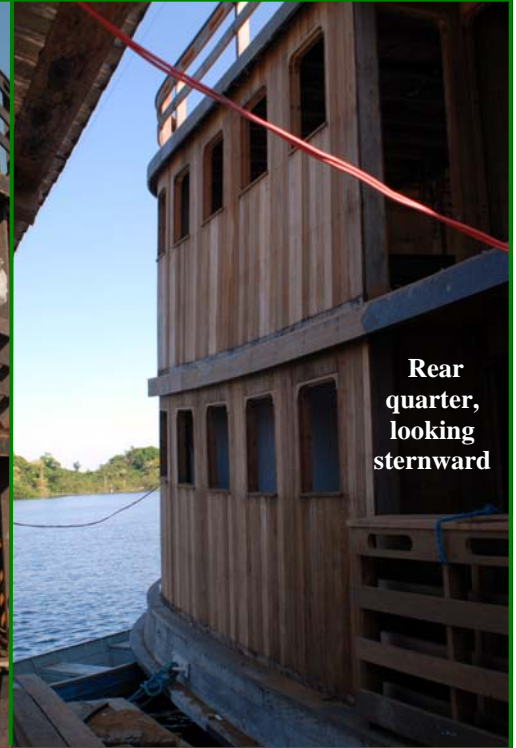
The upper deck will boast an open-air bar and relaxation area under a sun-shading awning. Other touches include hot showers in every cabin, tackle-storage bins at the embarking point for each angler and a lounge and dining area finished in natural Brazilian hardwoods. Clearances throughout the boat are 2 meters (6 foot 6 inches), so even our tallest clients can hold their heads high. We're looking forward to fantastic trips for many years to come.



view along the rail, looking sternward



Bow View



Rear quarter, looking sternward



Dining Area



Entry and Boat Launch Area



Lots of windows



View towards the bow.



Attractive finish details.

# Argentina Golden Dorado Trip - 2008

2 Lodges - 2 Different Fisheries - Trip Offers Extraordinary Percentage of Productivity

**We're risk averse.** Even though water levels are sometimes OK for peacocks in the Madeira basin in August, we never start fishing there until September. Too uncertain. Sometimes the rainy season in the northern basin may hold off until April. We still don't book trips in March. Too risky. We just don't want to take the chance of operating an unproductive trip.

All of us fishermen know the old saw we comfort ourselves with when the fishing just isn't turned on the way we'd like it to be. "Well, that's why they call it fishing, not catching". Truly, if every day on the water guaranteed the same results, we would just offer "catching" trips for exotic species. In reality, though, traveling half a world to go fishing for just one week out of the year, in a highly variable watershed with fish that migrate is risky business. By its very nature, Freshwater Golden Dorado fishing is normally right at the top of that risk list. So how do we deal with one of the riskiest fisheries of all, where even a rainstorm can turn them off? We cut the risk in half, that's how.

Our 2008 dorado trips will have the ability to completely switch locale on a day's notice, depending on weather, water levels and fishing conditions. Two lodges, situated 240 km apart in two fully independent watersheds will give us the flexibility to maximize our success and minimize the risk often associated with dorado fishing. Although we'll still have to call it a "fishing" trip, the "catching" part is far more assured.

Comfortable and elegant Capita Mini on the Corrientes river at the outlet of Argentina's famous Ibera marsh will be location number one, while brand new Dorado Cua in the Parana basin will be our second option. Both fisheries have wonderfully attractive characteristics and are historically known for holding large populations of trophy dorado. We'll go where conditions are best, or we can even decide we'll just sample them both.

Departing April 7th, 2008, this double-barreled trip will accommodate 7 anglers at \$3950 each. Call for more information or to reserve your place now. ....PR



Big, powerful, acrobatic - the golden dorado is one of the world's greatest gamefish.



# NEW - Tiger Fishing in Africa

**Tigerfish** belong to an ancient order of fishes called Characiformes. Arising in Africa, they radiated in great diversity in South America when the continents split 250 million years ago. Characins are amazingly successful fishes, with over 1600 species worldwide, and they owe a lot of that success to their teeth. They've filled an enormous array of ecological niches with their dental adaptations. Ranging from the flashing dental razors of the piranha, through the crushing molars of the pirapitinga, to the wild fangs of the payara, these guys use their teeth - and awfully well. As you can see from the photo, tigerfish look as though they invented the concept. Since the big predatory characins of the Amazon have all proven to be superb fighters, we've decided to go to the source, the mother toothy characin of them all, and fight hand-to-hand with the best.

**Acute Angling, is organizing** two tiger fishing excursions in 2008 in partnership with Simon Parker and Haydn Willans, owners of the beautiful "Nguni" yacht. Todd Feldman (a long-



time Acute Angler and author of the article on page 5), will accompany our groups throughout their travels and together with Haydn and Simon, will host our groups on their spanking new luxury riverboat. Two seasons are offered. Our July 2008 trips will pursue tigers when they are most effectively caught by casting with lures and flies. In December 2008, we'll return to experience a season where drift fishing and live-lining baits for tigers and other species generates mayhem when schools of tigers find them. Both trips promise to provide the incredible action and fighting prowess for which tigers have become famous. As is our custom with trips that expand our horizons by pursuing new species or entering new regions, we'll operate these excursions as Exploratory Trips - they're offered at a price pleasantly lower than is typical for a luxurious and productive trip of this caliber - just \$3950 USD for 6 full fishing days. Read Todd's report on the following page and see our schedule on Page 7 for more information.



# On the Prowl for "Tigers"

By Todd Feldman

This all started when I asked the sales person at the Worldwide Sportsman store in Islamorada, Florida "What's the name of that fish hanging on the wall behind you?" She said "That's a tigerfish." (*Hydrocynus vittatus*). This was the first time I had ever seen one. I couldn't believe my eyes. It looked like a striped bass, with its brilliant silver color, built into a salmon's body - and it had the most unbelievable canines you'll ever see. I knew at that moment I had to go fish for this thing.

I spent months on the internet reading about this fish and I contacted everyone I knew who lived in Africa. It led me to the Chief Editor of "African Hunting and Fishing Magazine", Anthony Williams. He was pleased to speak to an American angler interested in coming to Africa to fight tigers. Anthony had fished for them for over 30 years and was incredibly informative. He highly recommended that I use a guide named Simon Parker, whom he called the most knowledgeable fisherman that he ever fished with.

He explained that Simon was currently running a land-based lodge. I was so excited after getting his number that I called him right away and sat on the phone with him for over an hour and a half. Just listening to him talk sounded like music, I could feel the excitement, passion and love that he had for these fish. Without even thinking twice, I booked a 6 day trip with him. I couldn't wait to get there. I had now begun counting down the days till I hooked my first tiger.

Six months later I arrived at the great Zambezi River. I was blown away by the beauty of this very wild river. Imagine a very fast moving river surrounded as far as your eye can see by a plain of tall river grasses. Exotic birds flew everywhere. The dark, stained water was rippling. I was incredibly excited, I couldn't wait to break out my rod and reel. After a half hour boat ride, we turned a bend in the river and I saw Simon's magnificent operation. Simon greeted us and led us to our very tastefully decorated waterfront cabin. I couldn't believe it; I was in the middle of nowhere and I felt like I was in a first class hotel. I've fished around the world but the comfort level here was unbelievable.

After dinner my daughter Jessica and I went to sleep early. I tossed and turned all night just thinking about going fishing in the morning. At 5:30am we got up and Simon's staff had breakfast and a box lunch waiting for us. The sun has just starting to rise and the temperature was around 58 degrees. We took a quick boat ride to a local village where we bought some live bait from a local fisherman. The whole village came out to see us. It was great talking with them and watching the small kids run around and play. It was a lovely experience. We spent around fifteen minutes with them and headed off.

We started the day throwing spin and rattle baits. We were casting at the brush, trying to find holes and throwing at grass points wherever there were pockets that held fish. It only took 15 minutes until I got my first hit. The tiger slammed my lure like a freight train. My rod was bent double and my drag was screaming. You could feel your shoulder on this fish. After around 30 seconds he finally exploded out of the waters. I was so excited that I heard myself scream "oh my god". I heard Simon say "he's around 10 or 12 pounds." I fought this fish for over 10 minutes. I couldn't believe the fish. He hit just like a bluefish on drugs, danced like a tarpon and ran like a bonefish. When I finally got him in the boat, both my daughter and I stood and looked at him with amazement. I couldn't believe the teeth on this absolutely gorgeous fish.

After all the raves that I read and heard, there was no disappointment in what I just experienced. This fish was truly a trophy fish and a true competitor. My daughter and I looked at each other and we knew that our own competition had just begun.

The average catch was about 12 tiger fish a day with at least 3 to 6 "Nembwe" (*Serranochromis robustus*) between 2-5 pounds each. Everyday we fished, we felt like we were exploring. The wild



life, the birds, the landscape and the fishing was unbelievable. The temperature range was from the high 50's to around 90. The next couple of days fishing were incredible. The Zambezi River was a treat to be on. I really understood why it was called The "Great" Zambezi River. It's powerful and beautiful. For hours on the river we didn't see a person. Simon took me fishing one day where the Zambezi and Chobe River met. This is where we used our bait fish. We put some sinkers on our line and dropped some live bait down to 10-15 feet in the strong current. We

got slammed by some really large fish. Unbelievable hits and blazing runs. Just an amazing day.

It was also great spending days on end with my daughter, fishing, seeing the river at its best and sharing it with her. I think what I enjoyed the most was watching the excitement in my daughter's eyes when she caught some real big fish. I truly believe she will always remember this special time on the "Great Zambezi".

I spent many hours talking with Simon and his partner Haydn Willans about their operation, about the Zambezi, and what their future on the water will be. They told me that they were building a river yacht that will sleep 10 guests and pull 6 aluminum fishing boats behind it. Haydn explained that this boat would allow them to avoid having to run, sometimes for hours, to get to the best fishing grounds. Now they will be mobile and access more fishing water. Although the lodge was wonderful, with gourmet quality meals, a bar stocked with the best South African wine and superior staff and service, I understood their logic. Simon and Haydn have designed this new boat to have all of the benefits of a luxury lodge with the advantage of mobility and better access to the prime fishery.

Tigerfish are very different from anything I have ever fished for before. Their power and beauty separates them from most other species of game fish. The region's wildlife is just as spectacular, so Simon also offers game viewing by boat. Jessica and I took a photographic safari. After a half hour boat ride to Chobe, we spent 5 hours photographing the wild life. We saw elephants, zebras, hippo, giraffe, even a pair of lions along with many other animals. We got some tremendous photographs that day.

The nights are incredibly beautiful on the river. You can hear the bell frogs singing at night and the hippo grunting at the river edges. They serenade you to sleep. The stars are so bright that you feel like you can grab them in your hands. This is truly a very beautiful experience. The fishing, the wildlife and the educational experience is impossible to describe. You just have to see it for yourself. Join me and Acute Angling as we help Simon and his partner Haydn Willans inaugurate their new yacht, on the prow for the wild tigers of Africa. ... T. Feldman



# AMAZON TIDBITS - NEWS FROM THE RIVER

Even more amazing than the amazing fishes of the Amazon, is the amount of rumor and gossip generated about it. This column will appear from time to time in an effort to report actual news before it evolves into wildly inexplicable fiction.

**Commercial Fishing Ban** - A moratorium on commercial peacock bass netting in the central Amazon's blackwater regions is being re-implemented for the next three years. The decision, reached by the cooperative efforts of several Brazilian government agencies, recognizes the value of sportfishing as a sustainable activity without severe environmental impact. Planned research efforts determining the exact nature of catch and release mortality in the region may ultimately provide the additional data needed to make the ban permanent (see next item for more information).

This is great news for sportfishermen. Gillnetting and purse seining to provide fish for the regional markets have caused severe damage to peacock bass populations in many Amazon areas. If the ban can be effectively enforced it will enable depleted regions to enjoy an angling renaissance, while ensuring that currently productive regions remain well protected. That means more fish in more waters for all of us, and that's always a good thing.

**New Peacock Bass Research Planned** - The impact of catch and release fishing has been scientifically studied in great detail for many of North America's most beloved sportfish. The information gained from this research has helped lead to functional, sustainable management methods and protection from commercial predation for these valuable species. Programs such as these ensure the conservation of a healthy population of trout, bass, stripers and muskies for the American angling public to enjoy. Unfortunately, no such programs exist for many of the world's finest sportfish.

The first full-scale, sanctioned research project of this type for the world's greatest freshwater sportfish, the peacock bass, is currently in the planning stages. The ambitious program will seek to gain a clearer understanding of this magnificent animal's life-cycle, the impact of catch and release fishing methods and the socio-economic value of a well protected sport fishery.

The program will model a protected population's distribution and demographics. This same population will then experience a period of sportfishing pressure in order to be reevaluated and compared to the initial model. Selected anglers will be offered the opportunity to volunteer for the delightful duty of applying the necessary sportfishing pressure (more about that in future issues). Volunteers will be trained in the detailed data collection methods necessary and will work in cooperation with the on-site scientific staff.

Data obtained from this work will provide the foundations for future conservation and management programs. This will ensure that this wonderful species can continue to provide the amazing fishing experiences that anglers are enjoying today, well into the future.

**New Tipping Policy** - The dedicated local staff that are responsible for the high quality of our trips and the great lifelong memories you take home are dependent on tipping as an adjunct to their livelihoods. Typically, it provides up to 2/3 of a fishing guide's income. As with service staff in North American hotels, restaurants and elsewhere, tipping is a great way to ensure that skilled and dedicated workers earn a satisfactory income with the clear benefit of additional motivation and reward via a superior tip for superior service. That's why we use it and will continue to do so. Like all mechanisms that depend on individuals to implement them, it isn't perfect. We want to try to get it there, or at least a lot closer, with our new policy.

Sometimes anglers are forgetful or unaware of the norms for a specific trip. Sometimes staff are overly enthusiastic about reminding them. We think a simple mechanism will let anglers know what's typical and will simultaneously remove the burden of furnishing that information from the staff. We will provide all of our clients with a preprinted envelope, showing the guidelines for the trip they are taking. When its time to say good-bye and cap off the wonderful experience you've had, simply decide on how good the service was, put an appropriate tip in the envelope, sealed if you prefer, and hand it to the camp manager, or the individual guide you wish to reward. The staff members have the ability to make sure that they provide the best service possible and you have the ability to demonstrate your level of satisfaction with that service, as privately or as publicly as you wish.

## Payara - Wild Jatapo or Historic Uraima Falls?



**Choices** - fishermen always have to make them. Do I throw that big surface plug or am I jig fishing today? Should I go to the lake for bass or to the river for trout? It's nice to be able to select what feels right for you at just the right moment.

We want you to have that same flexibility when it comes to choosing your fishing trip, so this season we're offering two choices for fantastic payara fishing; The wild and primitive Jatapo and the most famous of all payara fisheries, Uraima Falls.

Although they have big payara in common, they're otherwise as different as they can be. The Jatapo drains into Brazil from the Guyana Shield highlands. With extraordinary variety

(Piraiba, peacocks, bicuda and more), the Jatapo trip is rough and tumble camping for the hearty woodsman.

Uraima Falls sits on the Paragua river, draining into Venezuela. The comfortable and venerable lodge offers a laid-back, genteel atmosphere to go along with its huge and plentiful payara.

Life is tough when there are choices to be made, isn't it? Thank goodness they're both great choices. We've added new dates for both locations. Call us for more information, schedules and availability for these great fishing destinations.



# 2007-2008 Remaining Available Openings

Note - Available spaces shown as of 7/20/07

## The New Blackwater Explorer - Igapo Acu Region - Best Value in the Amazon

Special price still available during our inaugural weeks - only \$3250 per angler

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| #   | Depart         | Return  | Fishing     | Host       | Location  | Price  | Availability | Description   |
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| <b>Blackwater Explorer Yacht - Comfort and Mobility - Rio Madeira Tributaries</b> |                |         |             |            |           |        |              |   |
| 2   | Sept. 27, 2007 | Oct. 6  | 6 full days | Paul Reiss | Igapo Acu | \$3250 | - 2 openings | Our most popular trip and a perfect introduction to peacock fishing. Explore Amazonia on the new Blackwater Explorer. The yacht has large air-conditioned staterooms and private baths. Our mobility and shallow draft allow us to access waters with the best conditions at any given time. Excellent daily catches (15 - 50/day) with trophies in the teens common and monsters over 20 pounds lurking. Fish all day and return to fine food and drink and the secure comfort of the yacht. |
| 3   | Oct. 4, 2007   | Oct. 13 | 6 full days | Paul Reiss | Igapo Acu | \$3250 | - 4 openings |   |
| 4   | Oct. 11, 2007  | Oct. 20 | 6 full days | Paul Reiss | Igapo Acu | \$3250 | - 4 openings |   |
| 5   | Oct. 18, 2007  | Oct. 27 | 6 full days | Paul Reiss | Igapo Acu | \$3250 | - Full -     |   |

## Blackwater Explorer - Rio Unini - Giant Peacocks - Giant Catfish

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| #   | Depart        | Return  | Fishing     | Host         | Location  | Price  | Availability | Description  |
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| <b>Blackwater Explorer Yacht - Comfort and Mobility - Rio Negro Tributaries</b> |               |         |             |              |           |        |              |  |
| A   | Oct. 25, 2007 | Nov. 3  | 6 full days | Barbra Silva | Rio Unini | \$3850 | - Full -     | Our new yacht has the shallow draft necessary to get into the sandy bottomed Rio Negro tributaries and navigate well up into the headwaters. We will pick our spots based on water levels and pursue the giants found in this region. Good daily catches (10 - 20/day) with trophies in the high teens common and monsters over 25 lbs lurking in these waters. We have twice caught 26 pound behemoths in this region. True world record possibility in a limited access fishery. |
| B   | Nov. 30, 2007 | Dec. 9  | 6 full days | Barbra Silva | Rio Unini | \$3850 | - 5 openings |  |
| C   | Feb. 7, 2008  | Feb. 16 | 6 full days | Barbra Silva | Rio Unini | \$3850 | - openings   |  |
| D   | Feb. 28, 2008 | Mar. 8  | 6 full days | Barbra Silva | Rio Unini | \$3850 | - openings   |  |

## Exploratory Safari Trip - New Rivers - Floating Bungalow Camp

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| <b>Exploratory Safari Camp - Rio Papagaio - Moveable floating bungalows</b> |               |         |             |            |           |        |              |  |
| 10  | Nov. 23, 2007 | Dec. 2  | 6 full days | Paul Reiss | Rio Negro | \$3850 | - 5 openings | Our goal is to access never-before-fished rivers, far from the reach of the growing crowd of novice peacock bass operations. Live in comfortable, movable floating bungalows with daily access to new water. These tannin-stained fisheries typically favor surface action and explosive topwater strikes. Anything is possible on these trips, but in the past we've had wildly variable daily catch averages (5 - 50/day) and an extraordinary number of giant fish well over 20 pounds. |
| 11  | Nov. 30, 2007 | Dec. 9  | 6 full days | Paul Reiss | Rio Negro | \$3850 | - 2 openings |  |
| 12  | Dec. 7, 2007  | Dec. 16 | 6 full days | Paul Reiss | Rio Negro | \$3850 | - 2 openings |  |

## Beautiful Rio Xeriuni - Protected Fishery - Rustic Jungle Lodge

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| <b>Thanksgiving Holiday - Lodge Trip - Xeriuni River - Air-conditioned Comfort</b>    |               |         |             |             |            |        |              |  |
| 13  | Nov. 14, 2007 | Nov. 23 | 6 full days | Wellington  | R. Xeriuni | \$3250 | - Full -     | A unique, 'one-of-a-kind' bargain. Luxurious Macaroca lodge, and rustic Posao lodge, both located on the beautiful Xeriuni River, provide air-conditioned comfort and great peacock bass fishing. If you can travel during the Thanksgiving Holiday season, you can fish them both for less than the price of either one on our special itinerary!   |
| 14  | Nov. 21, 2007 | Nov. 30 | 6 full days | Wellington  | R. Xeriuni | \$3250 | - Full -     |  |
| <b>Winter 2007/8 - Rio Xeriuni - Protected Clear Water Fishery in Northern Brazil</b> |               |         |             |             |            |        |              |  |
| 15  | Dec. 5, 2007  | Dec. 14 | 6 full days | Nick Guedes | 2 Lodges   | \$3850 | - openings   | Beautiful white sand beaches and clear black water provide an extraordinary setting on this comfortable, air-conditioned lodge trip. Excellent numbers (20 - 50/day) with an unusually high percentage of medium to large fish (10 to 20 pounds). The lodge features spacious rooms, a sprawling dining area with panoramic river views and complete bathrooms with hot showers. Enjoy a taste of jungle luxury. |
| 16  | Jan. 2, 2008  | Jan. 11 | 6 full days | Nick Guedes | 2 Lodges   | \$3850 | - openings   |  |
| 17  | Jan. 9, 2008  | Jan. 18 | 6 full days | Nick Guedes | 2 Lodges   | \$3850 | - openings   |  |

## Upper Rio Tapera - Clear Blackwater Fishery - Floating Bungalow Camp

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|----|---------------|---------|-------------|------------|---------|--------|----------|--|
| 18 | Jan. 31, 2008 | Feb. 9  | 6 full days | Paul Reiss | Roraima | \$3850 | - open - | Live in comfortable floating bungalows on white sand beaches surrounded by "Jurassic Park" jungle and clear black water. Great for fly fishermen and plug casters alike. Fantastic daily catch averages (25 - 70/day) with fish up to 22 pounds. |
| 19 | Feb. 7, 2008  | Feb. 16 | 6 full days | Paul Reiss | Roraima | \$3850 | - Full - |  |

## MULTI-SPECIES VARIETY TRIPS - Winter 2008 - Jatapo River Camping

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| <b>Upper Jatapo Adventure - Basic camping - Amazing Variety Fishery</b>                    |                         |        |             |            |            |        |          |   |
| 28   | Jan. 30 2008            | Feb. 7 | 6 full days | Wellington | R. Jatapo  | \$3850 | - open - | A unique exotic trip in a gigantic, pristine Indian reservation. Hardcore campers only. Comfortable but basic accommodations; Sleep in tents; Eat fish; Bathe in the river. Remarkable species variety. Peacock bass, payara, giant catfish, trairao, bicuda, pescada and more. |
| 30   | Feb. 27, 2008           | Mar. 7 | 6 full days | Wellington | R. Jatapo  | \$3850 | - open - |   |
| <b>Golden Dorado - Corrientes, Argentina - Fly or conventional - Salminus brasiliensis</b> |                         |        |             |            |            |        |          |   |
| 33   | Apr. 8 - April 16, 2008 |        | 6 full days | Paul Reiss | Corrientes | \$3950 | - open - | One week only, limited to seven anglers, this trip will have access to two great locations in Argentina's famed Corrientes province. We'll access dorado at the post-spawn (hungriest!!) part of their migration.   |

## TIGERFISH IN AFRICA - July & Dec. 2008 - "Nguni" Luxury Houseboat

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| <b>Zambezi River - Luxury Houseboat - The Amazing African Tigerfish</b> |               |        |             |            |            |        |              |  |
| 35  | June 27, 2008 | July 7 | 6 full days | T. Feldman | R. Zambezi | \$3950 | - 7 openings | Pursue the legendary tigerfish with the comfort of luxury houseboat accommodations. Our June trip will pursue tigers with artificials and flies, as the flood recedes. In December we'll cast or drift baits and enjoy the mayhem that develops as schooling tigers find them. |
| 36  | Dec. 27, 2008 | Jan. 5 | 6 full days | T. Feldman | R. Zambezi | \$3950 | - 7 openings |  |

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