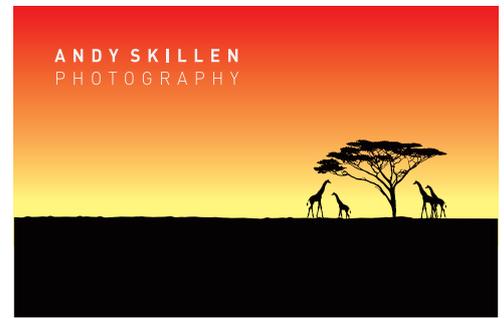


PARADISE IN THE PANTANAL 2019

**Departures: 10 September - 20 September
21 September - 1 October**



AN **11 DAY, 10 NIGHT PHOTOGRAPHIC AND WILDLIFE VIEWING ADVENTURE** TO THE SPECTACULAR PANTANAL WETLAND IN BRAZIL. THIS TRIP IS **ESCORTED THROUGHOUT** BY ANDY SKILLEN, AND A LOCAL EXPERT NATURALIST, AND IS GEARED TO GIVE YOU A **SUPERIOR PHOTOGRAPHIC EXPERIENCE** IN UNCROWDED SHOOTING CONDITIONS.

WITH A **GROUP SIZE OF JUST 6**, YOU ARE **GUARANTEED PLENTY OF TUITION TIME**, AND ALSO **PLENTY OF ROOM** IN WHICH TO WORK.

TRIP HIGHLIGHTS

- **SMALL GROUP SIZE OF JUST 6 GUESTS**
- **SPECIALISED PHOTO BOAT WITH CAMERA MOUNTS/SWIVEL SEATS AND WIMBERLEY TRIPOD HEADS**
- **11 DAYS AND 10 NIGHTS** IN THE PRIME TIME FOR WILDLIFE VIEWING
- **6 NIGHTS** IN A FLOATING LODGE IN THE **HEART OF THE "JAGUAR ZONE"**
- **4 NIGHTS** IN TWO DIFFERENT RANCHES, **RICH IN TERRESTRIAL BIRDS AND MAMMALS**
- **EXCLUSIVE USE OF A RESEARCH HIDE FOR OCELOT VIEWING**
- ACCESS TO A **PHOTO TOWER** TO ALLOW **EYE-LEVEL PHOTOS** WITH **NESTING JABIRU STORKS**
- USE OF AN **ADAPTED "SAFARI TRUCK"** THROUGHOUT OUR PANTANAL CROSSING
- **ESCORTED THROUGHOUT BY ANDY SKILLEN, AND A LOCAL EXPERT NATURALIST**
- AS MUCH, OR AS LITTLE, **PHOTOGRAPHIC TUITION AS NEEDED!**



YOUR ITINERARY....

Day 1-2 Arrive Cuiaba...and start your adventure! (2 nights)

After your flight to Brazil (preferably to Sao Paulo), you will have then connected onto a domestic flight to Cuiaba, where we will be waiting for you. Of course, this is likely to be a tired morning after a long overnight flight, and a domestic transfer, but we'll soon get rid of the cobwebs by getting some lunch in town before heading off to the start of the world-famous 'Transpantaneira' Road which bisects the Pantanal. Once we reach the start of the official route, we will transfer from our small coach into an open sided safari truck. The extra height this gives us is critical, as it permits us to look out across the landscape and spot animals and birds as we head towards our first lodge. If any situations arise that we wish to make more of, we'll simply pull-up, disembark with cameras in hand, and then head off to start shooting! The truck has a canopy to protect from the sun (and rain on occasion!), but is completely otherwise open at the back. This can be a blessing as the air sweeps across us, bringing down the temperatures, but also gives much of a feeling of "immersion" into the landscape as we go. Our first two nights will be spent at Pousa Alegre. This homely Fazenda (Estancia/Farm) is full of wildlife including coatis, marmosets, howler monkeys, anteater (giant and lesser), tapir (if we're lucky), deer and even pumas! The birdlife is also sensational, and there are some great encounters to be had with caiman as well. All in all, this is a great place to start our adventure for two nights, giving us the chance to try all sorts of different photography, on foot and from the truck, and feel the ground beneath our feet.

(2 nights Pousa Alegre, B, L, D)

Days 3 – 8: The Jaguarland Flotel (6 nights)

An early start from our lodge as we head onwards to the ends of the Transpantaneira, stopping for any great sightings on the way. The road itself is a marvel, with over 130 bridges and the photographic opportunities are endless. By late morning, we will arrive at Porto Jofre, and after bidding a (temporary!) farewell to our Safari Truck, will transfer to our specially adapted photo-boat for the ride to the Flotel – a floating lodge, moored up river and away from the circus that is the main lodge area at Porto Jofre! Our boat is equipped with individual camera mounts for each person, with a swivel seat...in fact, you'll feel like you're on some military gunboat as we head off up-river. This will be our transport for the next 6 days of Jaguar (and other river wildlife) searching...and we'll be starting right after lunch that day. We will then follow a daily pattern of leaving early from the lodge, cruising the rivers and their smaller tributaries, and constantly searching for fantastic wildlife encounters. From a butterfly resting on a caiman's eyelid, to a Jaguar hunting in the shadows...all things are possible. At night we will be back on the Flotel – meaning that we get longer every single day than those who stay at Porto Jofre and have to "commute" 4 times a day (as they go home for lunch...when we will stay out!) and waste hours on non-productive parts of the

river system. By being out as much as we can be (and obviously, sometimes logistics may dictate a short pit-stop back at the lodge in the middle of the day), and never away from the main action, we are certain to give the maximum possible chance for excellent wildlife sightings and photo ops. In fact, it gets me excited just even thinking about it!

(6 nights Jaguarland "Flotel", B,L,D)

Days 9-10: Santa Teresa Lodge (2 nights)

After six days on the river, we will transfer after an early breakfast back to Porto Jofre, to re-connect with our Safari Truck (see...I told you the parting was only temporary 😊) and commence our journey back up the Transpantaneira road to our final accommodation at Santa Teresa Lodge – our home for 2 nights – where we will check in, discuss our plan for the remaining days and enjoy dinner. Our activities here are land-based looking for wildlife, but we will also use a small boat to check out the river here for otters and birdlife, and on one night, perhaps use a specially constructed hide where Ocelot are known to frequent for that "once in a lifetime" chance of snaring one of the world's most elusive and beautiful cats.

(2 nights Santa Teresa Pantanal Lodge, B,L,D)

Ultimately, though, our adventure will come to an end, and we will transfer onto our original vehicle to head back to civilization and Cuiaba airport. We can arrange to drop you here, or in the city itself, but this is where we will bid our last farewells and recall the amazing wildlife experiences we've shared for the last 11 days.



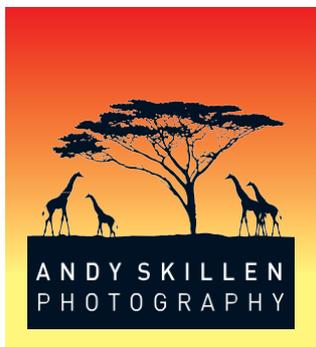
Reservation Form

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DEPARTURE 1: 10 September – 20 September 2019

DEPARTURE 2: 21 September – 1 October 2019

TRIP PRICE: **GBP £5,695** per person based on sharing



Full name: _____

Passport No: _____

Country of Issue: _____

Citizenship: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

Gender: Male Female Date of Birth: / /

Our Commitment

FaunaVista LLP (Andy Skillen Photography) is a company committed to customer satisfaction and consumer financial protection. We are therefore pleased to announce that, at no extra cost to you, and in accordance with "The Package Travel, Package Tours Regulations 1992" all passengers booking with FaunaVista LLP is fully insured for the initial deposit, and subsequently the balance of monies paid as detailed in your booking confirmation form. The policy will also include repatriation if required, arising from the cancellation or curtailment of your travel arrangements due to the insolvency of FaunaVista LLP. This insurance has been arranged with Affirma a trading brand of MGA Cover Services Limited (registered address Farren House The Street, Farren Court Cowfold West Sussex RH 13 8BP, company registration: 08444204 authorized and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority registration number 678541) under a binding authority with the insurer CBL Insurance Europe Limited (registered address 2nd Floor 13-17 Dawson Street Dublin 2 Ireland, who are authorized and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority registration number 203120).

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Policy exclusions: This policy will not cover any monies paid back to you by your Travel Insurance or any losses which are recoverable under another insurance or bond.

We will always do our best to ensure the lodges and camps we use can accommodate any food allergies or dietary restrictions. Please provide the necessary details so we can plan accordingly. Note that food ordering has to be done months in advance to ensure timely arrival, so the more we know, the better.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Omnivore	I eat everything
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vegetarian	I do not eat animal flesh
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ovolactarian	I eat eggs and no other animal products
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pescatarian	I only eat protein from animals that live in water
<input type="checkbox"/>	Vegan	I do not eat any animal products or by-product
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gluten Free	I do not consume products containing gluten

List any other allergies and intolerances:

Are there any medical conditions we should be aware of?:

Emergency Contact: _____

Relationship: _____

Email: _____

Phone (Primary): _____

Phone (Secondary): _____

I understand that my place will only be confirmed upon:

a) returning my completed booking form (I understand my space will only held for 7 days after I have received this form)

b) payment of the trip deposit of 25% within 14 days. I understand an invoice will be sent to me on submission of this form.

It is highly recommended that you purchase comprehensive trip cancellation and trip interruption (including pre and post departure coverage), baggage and repatriation insurance. Fauna Vista LLP will NOT be held liable for delays or cancellation for any reason. Refer to our terms and conditions for full details. I certify that I have read and understood this statement.

I accept FaunaVista LLP's terms and conditions. (Andy Skillen Photography is a trading name of FaunaVista LLP)

Signed: _____ Date: _____