

Boca da Valeria, Amazonas, Brazil

A tiny riverine village of 75–100 people at the confluence of the Amazon and Valeria rivers. There's no tourist infrastructure — just wooden stilt houses, curious children with pet sloths, and the living Amazon all around you.

Tender port (anchor midstream)

Typical call: 4–6 hrs

US dollars (cash only, no ATMs)

Portuguese

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____ Arrive: _____ All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

Docking: Tender only — ships anchor in the Amazon; passengers ferry ashore via ship tenders or local canoes

Best For: Cultural immersion, Amazon wildlife, authentic village life

Walk to center: You land in the village; everything is within a 5-min walk on dirt paths

Don't Miss: A local canoe ride into the flooded forest to spot sloths, monkeys, and pink dolphins

Getting around:

TOP THINGS TO DO

- Backwater Canoe Ride** — Local families offer 30–60 minute motorized canoe rides into the Valeria River tributaries and flooded forest.
 - Village Walk & Community Visit** — Stroll the dirt paths past wooden stilt houses, peek inside the one-room schoolhouse, visit the small church, and watch villagers process cassava...
- Amazon Wildlife Encounters** — Local kids often have pet sloths, monkeys, parrots, and small caimans.
 - Handicraft Market** — Villagers sell woven baskets, carved wooden figures, seed jewellery, and traditional textiles.

BEST WALKS

- Village Loop** ~1 km · 20–30 min · Easy dirt paths — From the landing dock, walk up through the village past the stilt houses to the schoolhouse and community church, then loop back along the riverside path to the...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		84°	77°	28d
Jun		85°	78°	24d
Aug		88°	80°	9d
Sep		90°	80°	10d
Oct		89°	80°	12d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 5:43AM–5:46PM · Jun 5:46AM–5:45PM · Aug 5:48AM–5:50PM · Sep 5:37AM–5:43PM · Oct 5:26AM–5:35PM

KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- Bring small US dollar bills. There are no ATMs, no banks, and no card readers in the village. \$1, \$5, and \$10 bills cover canoe rides, tips, and handicrafts.
- Tender queues fill fast. Board early if you want a full shore visit — calls are typically only 4–6 hours and tender waits eat into your time.
- Wear waterproof shoes. The landing can be muddy or wet depending on river level. Leave your good sneakers on the ship.
- Tip generously for photos. Locals depend on cruise ship visitors for income. \$1–2 per photo with an animal or child guide is standard and genuinely helpful.
- Use strong insect repellent. You're deep in the Amazon. Mosquitoes and sandflies are present, especially near the forest edge.
- Rainy season (Jan–May) = high water. Houses stand on stilts above the flood; the village feels floated. Dry season (Jun–Nov) reveals the muddy bank and more ground-level walking.

Boca da Valeria, Amazonas, Brazil — Port Map

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Red = walkable sights · Amber = excursions farther out · P = cruise terminal. Numbers match the order you'd typically visit.



P Cruise port / terminal