

Amazon



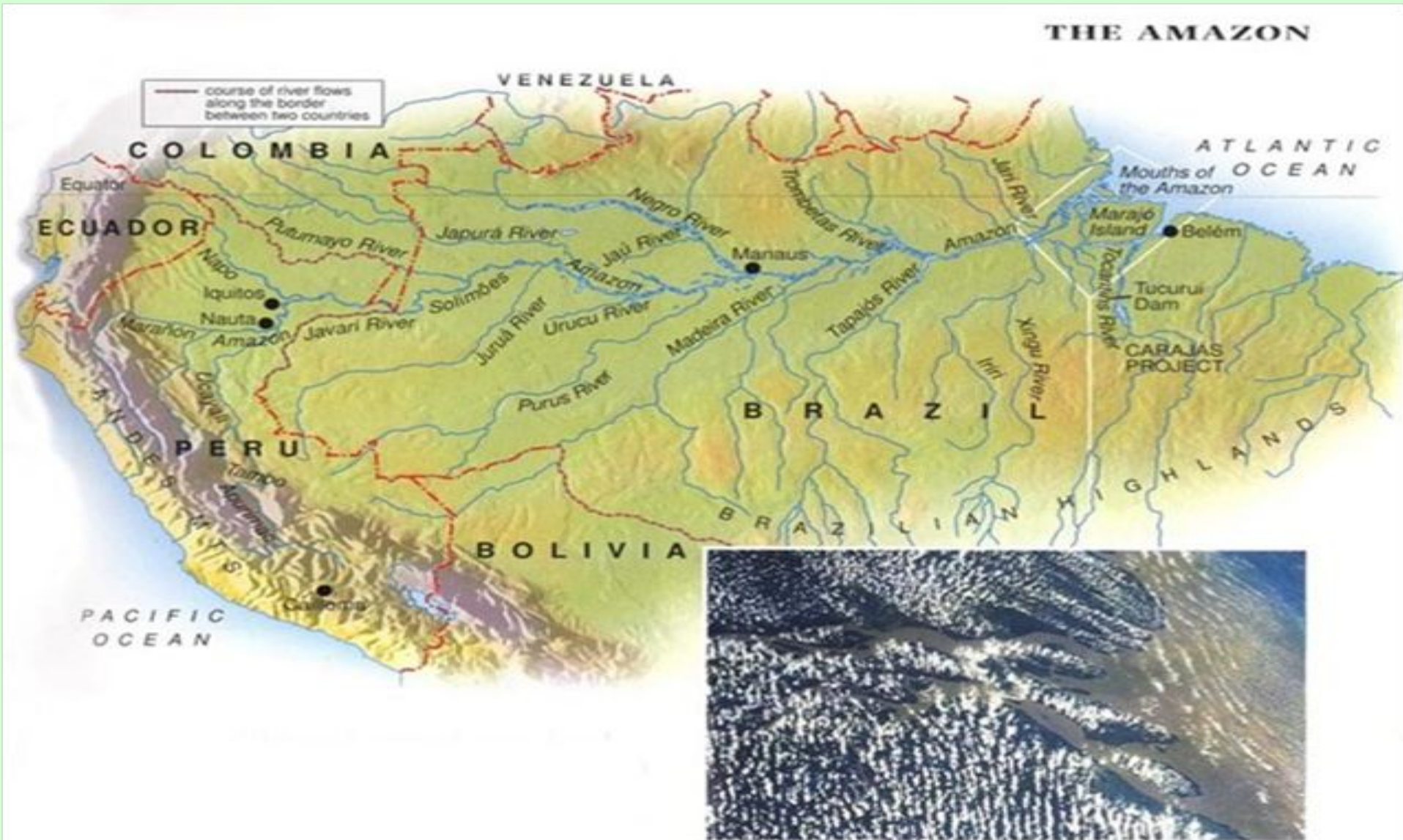
The Amazon River is the most water-bearing river in the world, carrying the ocean fifth of fresh water in the world. The flow of water on so much that is huge, pouring into the Atlantic Ocean, the Amazon changes the salt composition and color of the ocean over 320 kilometers. In all respects - is the greatest, one of the longest rivers in the world. The river is located in the north of South America, starting with the Andes in Peru and ends in the Atlantic Ocean in Brazil. The length of the Amazon ranges from 6259 to 6800 km according to different sources.



Amazon is a huge system of rivers and forests, crossing half of Brazil and extends into neighboring states. Amazon River - the greatest in the world in size swimming pool (7.2 million. Km²) and water content. It is formed by the confluence of two rivers - the Marañon and Ucayali. The length of the Marañon from the source - 6400 km, Ucayali - over 7000 km. Amazon meets the Atlantic Ocean, forming the world's largest inland delta (over 100 thousand. Km²) and the mouth of the funnel-shaped - sleeves, covering a huge island Marajó.



It is said that its name was due Amazon Spanish conquistador who, fighting on the banks of the river with the Indians, were struck undaunted fury of Indian women who fought alongside men. Brave and strong warrior reminded Spaniards ancient myth of the Amazons - and thanks to them the river got its name.



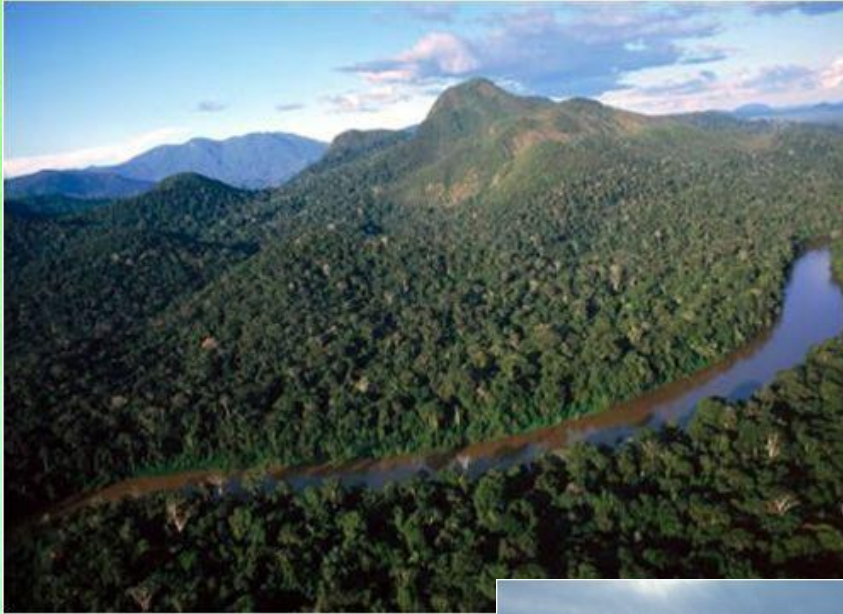


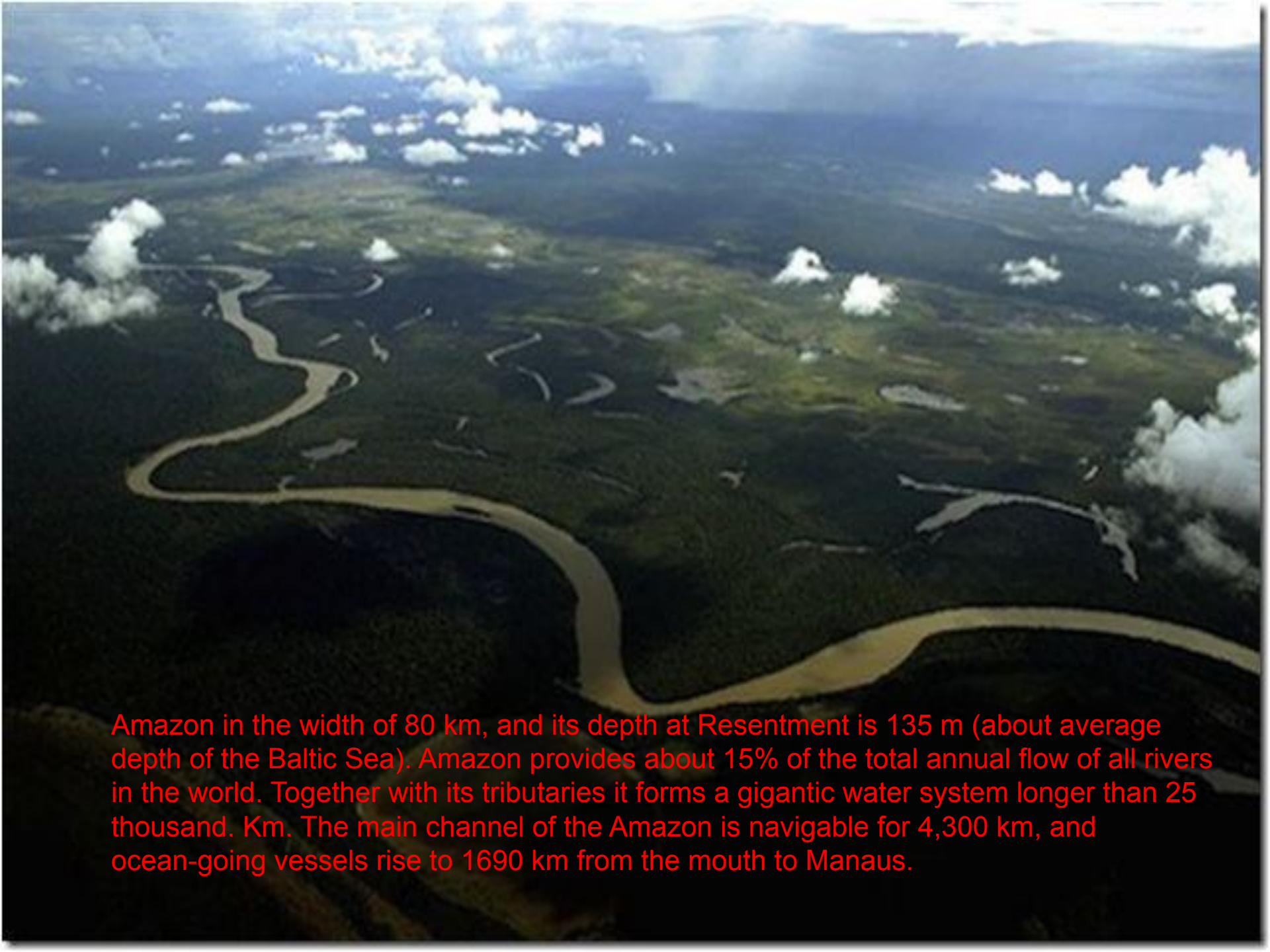
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Amazon in the width of 80 km, and its depth at Resentment is 135 m (about average depth of the Baltic Sea). Amazon provides about 15% of the total annual flow of all rivers in the world. Together with its tributaries it forms a gigantic water system longer than 25 thousand. Km. The main channel of the Amazon is navigable for 4,300 km, and ocean-going vessels rise to 1690 km from the mouth to Manaus.

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Here's a piranha that inhabits the waters of the Amazon River



Amazon deepness is simple: it flows almost exactly on the equator, as usual for these places summer rainy season occurs alternately in the northern hemisphere in (March and September), on its left tributaries, in the south (from October to April) -on the right tributary . Great River actually lives in constant floods.



