## **Activities at Fazenda BARRANCO ALTO**

- **Riding:** find the horse you always dreamed of! Our horses are working horses, they are well trained and there are plenty of them. Have a more detailed look at this dedicated page: <u>Riding in the Pantanal</u>
- Birdwatching: even for non-birders this is an attractive activity because we have dozens of spectacular birds like macaws, parrots and raptors. Have a more detailed look at this dedicated page: <u>Birding in the Pantanal</u>
- **Open Vehicle Safari:** enjoy the scenery and spot the wildlife from our comfortable custom-built Toyota Landcruiser.
- **Hiking:** walk along with a guide or by yourself through forest, meadows and along the waters. A very recommended way of approaching closely to the wildlife.
- **Canoeing:** paddle on the dark waters of the most pristine river in the Pantanal, the rio Negro. Meet giant otters, birds, capybaras and with some luck even jaguars, roughly 60% of the sightings are made from canoes in silence.
- **Boating:** explore the river from a comfortable boat with swivel seats excellent for photography. We use silent electric engines and environment friendly Yamaha 15hp 4-stroke gas engines.
- **Fishing:** success guaranteed even for beginners ! Try to catch a dorado, pacu or pintado. Catfishes, piranhas or cichlids, the water is full of fish. We also have fly-fishing tackle.
- **Campfires:** after a long afternoon full of new sightings enjoy the delicious meals cooked on open fires, listen to local stories and sing under the stars ...
- **Photography:** only a few places on earth rival with the Pantanal in photography opportunities. Everywhere there's something from a tiny little velvet ant, over a hyacinth macaw to a roaring jaguar, breath-taking pictures are a certitude. Several professional photographers like Olivier Grunewald or Art Wolfe and have chosen this place for some of their work.
- **Beach Chill-out:** why not just hang-out on pristine beaches where only caymans will be watching you and your cold drink ?!
- **Cattle mustering:** since Fazenda Barranco Alto is still a functional and traditional organic beef cattle ranch, you will find real cowboys and real working-horses on their daily work. And if this is your interest, join the on a typical work.
- **Astronomy:** hundreds of kilometers away from any bigger city, you will find an amazing detailed sky. See the milky-way in a brightness you haven't seen before. See the zodiacal light, the gegenschein, Jupiter's moons and much more. We have good books, a <u>Celestron C-8 telescope</u> and appropriate computer software.

