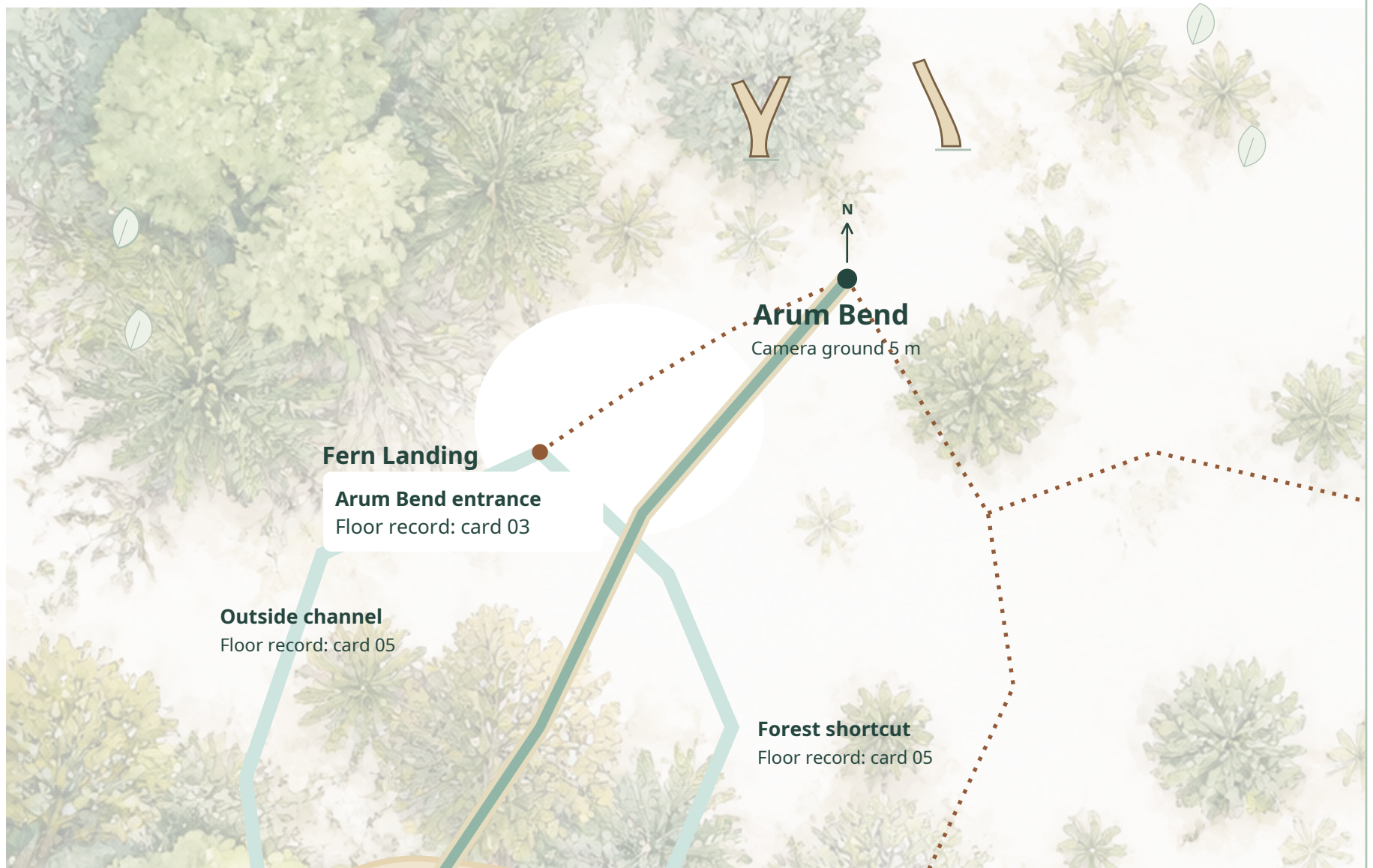
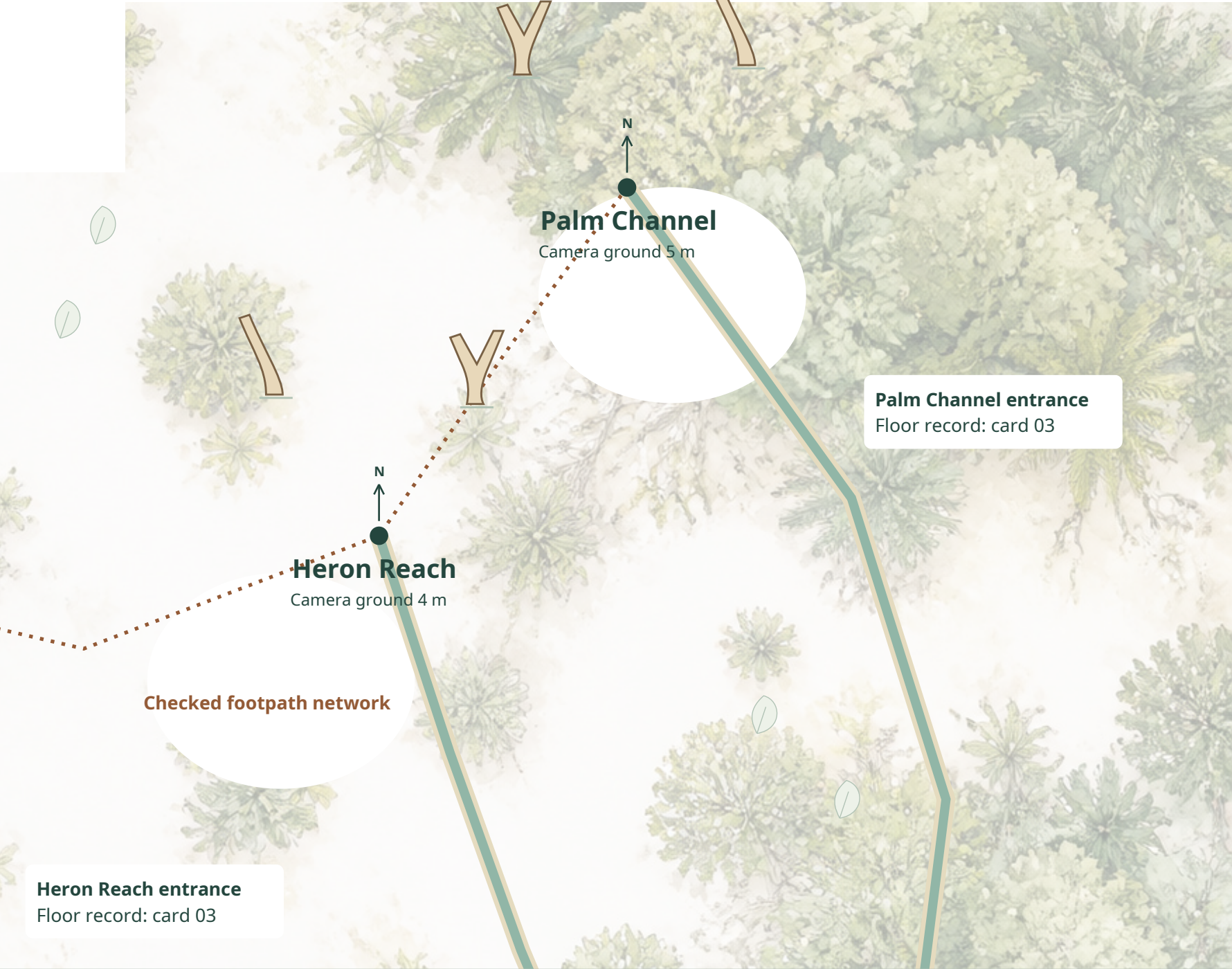


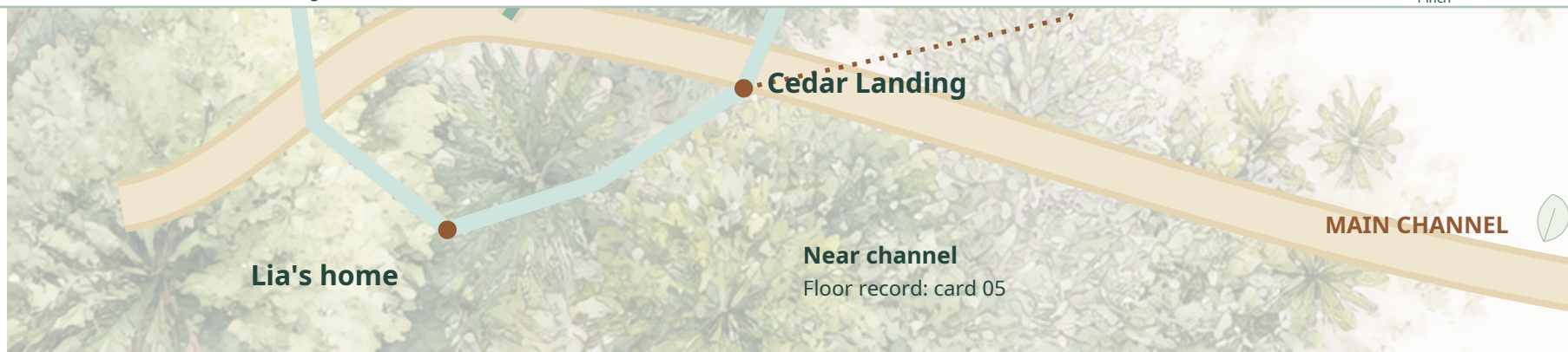
THE RIVER IN THE TREES

Lia and Rosa's expedition map

A fictional study landscape in the real Amazon region. All local places, heights and routes are invented. Keep this map at the table.







Bento's high-water visit

A scenic memory. Use the recorded tree symbols and heights to locate it; decorative details do not identify the place.

READ THE VIEW

The camera dots face north. Compare forked and leaning trunks with card 01. Scenery and place names add no location clues.

READ THE WATER

All heights share an imaginary zero. Water level minus highest floor gives the shallowest depth. This canoe model needs at least 0.6 m.

MODEL RECORDS

Photograph + view: 01 / Old water: 02 / Floors: 03 / Latest check: 04 / Today: 05

Blue = channels · Copper dots = checked paths · Tree symbols = recorded landmarks



Rosa checked all three photo places and the connecting paths for today. A dotted line is a walk, never an extra canoe entrance.

BOUNDED STUDY: Each blue candidate approach is its only water entrance. Surrounding 9 m ground blocks other water approaches at Bento's recorded water level. See card 03 for the highest floor along each complete approach.

TODAY'S CHOICE

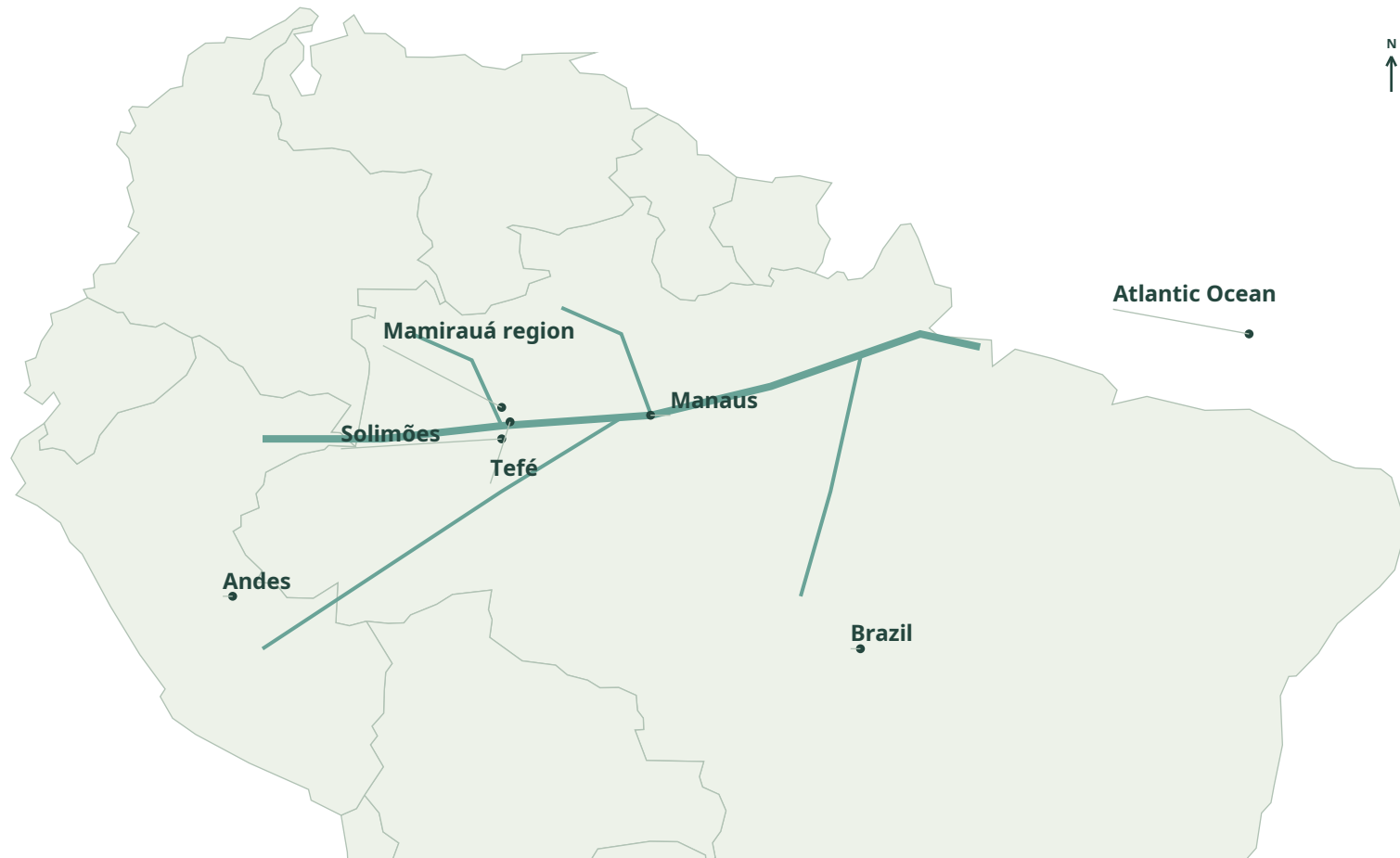
Water: 3.8 m. Reach a landing by boat, then use the checked paths. Find the photo place before reading the route choices on book page 21.

A MAP WITH A DATE

Rosa rechecked these fictional landmarks and heights after Bento's recent visit. Real Amazon banks can change. This is not a navigation map.

THE AMAZON

One vast river world, many places to discover



Schematic regional locator; positions and river lines are simplified. No navigation, exact basin boundary or travel-time claim. The local study landscape on the reverse is invented.



A river is a way between people

Cities, small communities, boats, markets and homes belong in this landscape too. Our invented family's journey stays near Tefé and Mamirauá; it cannot stand for the whole basin.

A network, not one line

The Amazon river system gathers water across a vast basin and carries it toward the Atlantic. Our story stays in one small part.

Source notes: S16

A forest that meets the water

Mamirauá's várzea changes with the annual flood pulse. Trunks and lower branches can stand above flooded ground.

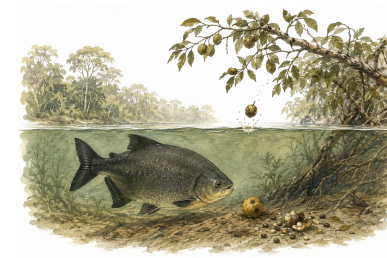
Source notes: S4, S9



Fruit, fish and seeds

Some fruit-eating fish, including tambaqui, help carry seeds. The relationship connects life above and below the surface.

Source notes: S10



An illustrated regional companion · detailed source and fiction note in the book, pages 47–48

A city connected by rivers

Tefé links surrounding communities with services, commerce and river travel. Bento lives here in the fiction.

Source notes: S14

Homes and changing levels

Fixed stilt supports and floating bases respond differently to the water. Neither stops the river changing.

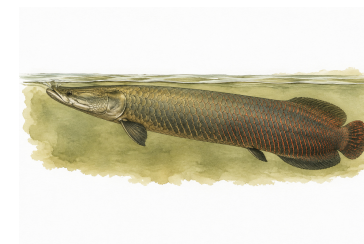
Source notes: S11, S12



A breath at the surface

Pirarucu are air-breathing fish. Boto and tucuxi are freshwater dolphins. These are different animals, not interchangeable clues.

Source notes: S5, S15



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