



## Unusual Rivers Around The World

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- **Caño Cristales River, Colombia:** It is also known as the "**River of Five Colors**," as it changes its color from yellow, green, black, red, and blue between **July and November**.
  - This is due to **Rhynchospora clavigera**, an **aquatic plant** that changes its color with sunlight and water conditions.
- **Shanay-Timpishka River, Peru:** Also known as **La Bomba**, it is the **world's largest thermal and only boiling river (with temperature 45oC to 100oC)**.
  - It is heated by **deep geothermal circulation** where rainwater seeps underground, warms, and resurfaces through **faults**.
- **Hamza Aquifer (Hamza River):** A vast **underground aquifer** beneath the **Amazon River**, ~4 km deep and 6,000 km long, flowing **extremely slowly through porous rock formations**.
- **Qiantang River, China:** Known for the **Silver Dragon**, one of the **world's largest tidal bores**, where **ocean tides push upstream at 40 km/hr**, creating **large waves ideal for surfing**.
- **Daldykan River, Russia:** Turned **blood red** due to **nickel and heavy metals contamination**.
- **Onyx River, Antarctica:** The **continent's longest river (32 km)**, flowing inland toward Lake Vanda **only in summer** as meltwater from **Wright Valley glaciers**.

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