

# PHILIPPINES ISLANDS PARADISE



## Day 1 : Arrive Manila

On arrival in Manila airport transfer to your hotel and time to relax from the flight.

## Day 2 : Manila Exploration - Dumaguete

This morning start with a Manila city tour. Drive through Ayala Avenue in Makati, the modern commercial and financial district of the country. Proceed to the American Memorial Park and visit Rizal Park. Continue to the walled city of Intramuros, tour Fort Santiago, a Spanish medieval fortress that used to be Spain's most durable bastion in the East. Stop at San Agustin church and the Mall of Asia. Later transfer to the domestic airport for flight to Dumaguete.

## Day 3 : Dumaguete Exploration

Start your tour of Dumaguete. Feel the university atmosphere while passing through Silliman University before continuing to Ninoy Aquino Park, the Negros Oriental Convention Center, the bustling public market and the historical St. Catalina de Alexandria church. A delicious lunch awaits you at Lab-as Seafoods restaurant. Located by the sea it offers live fresh fish, crabs, oysters, and other native specialties. Later visit the town of Bacong with the Negros Oriental Arts & Heritage stone craft factory and the century-old San Agustin church. Going southwest brings you to the cool and lush Forest Camp in Valencia. Last stop is Sidlakang Negros and Rizal Boulevard, a promenade. Afterwards take the ferry to Bohol.

## Day 4 : Chocolate Hills River Cruise

Today in the morning after breakfast visit the blood compact marker and Baclayon church. Pass by the mahogany forest on the way to the fabulous Chocolate Hills. The Chocolate Hills are a geological formation. There are at least 1,260 hills but there may be as many as 1,776 hills spread over an area of more than 50 square kilometres. They are covered in green grass that turns brown during the dry season, hence the name. Next you have an eye to eye encounter with the smallest specie of monkey, the "Tarsier" before you board the boat to cruise the Loay Loboc rivers. Enjoy lunch onboard in the most relaxing scenery.

### *Day 5 : Bohol - Cebu Exploration*

After breakfast transfer to the port for the ferry to Cebu. On arrival start your tour of the city. Cebu city, like Manila, is a commercial and financial centre but offers in addition beautiful beach shores. The tour includes a visit to the landmarks from its 16th-century Spanish colonial past, including the Basilica Minore del Santo Niño church and the triangular Fort San Pedro, the Cross of Magellan, the site of the first mass celebration in 1521. Later drive through the Avenue of flags of the provincial capital.

### *Day 6 : Cebu - Puerto Princesa*

In the morning after breakfast at the resort Transfer to Cebu Airport for flight to Puerto Princesa. Upon arrival transfer to hotel and time to relax.

### *Day 7 : Underground Cruise*

Toda after breakfast in the resort start your tour to the mouth of the river. Trek the monkey trail and enjoy the sights of the rainforest. At the end of the trail is St. Paul's Cave and National Park. Here board a paddle boat going into the wondrous "Underground River", witness a temple of natural formations, glittering stalactites and stones rising from the water. The cave is one of the longest and fascinating network of caves. Later buffet lunch is served at a local restaurant.

### *Day 8 : Puerto Princesa - El Nido*

After breakfast transfer to El Nido. Upon arrival time to relax and enjoy this tropical paradise of untouched beaches and crystal clear waters.

### *Day 9 : El Nido*

This morning after breakfast you have a full day on your own to explore more of the beauty of El Nido, known for its white sand beaches and stunning coral reefs.

### *Day 10 : El Nido - Manila Departure*

After breakfast transfer to the airport for your domestic flight to Manila connecting with your international departure flight.