

TOUR “CARÚPANO”

HIGHLIGHTS

- Colonial Center of Carúpano, Casa del Cable.
- Cassava factory in Macarapana.
- Visit at a Centenarian Rum Factory.

SCHEDULE

We will pick you up at your hotel to drive to **Plaza Santa Rosa**, the colonial center of Carúpano. We will have a closer look at the church Santa Rosa, the Historic Museum, and the **Casa del Cable** (Cable House), which was used to house a transatlantic telephone cable from France. Today it is the headquarter of Fundación Thomas Merle, which is dedicated to improve the living conditions for the inhabitants of the mountain villages above Carúpano. We will continue our tour driving to a **cassava (yucca bread) factory** in Macarapana where the indigenous production process will be explained to us. Further on, the tour will take us towards a famous and centenarian **rum factory** nearby, a guided tour where we will learn the entire process from cane molasses or ethylic alcohol to a long variety of fine distilled rums.

NOTES

- The tour includes transportation, a qualified guide, visit fees, and beverages (open bar).
- The tour has two starts in a week. For any reservation, please pay a call to us or write on our e-mail at least two days in advance.
- The tour can be booked with a minimum of six (06) participants.

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TOUR “CACAO”

HIGHLIGHTS

- Cocoa Plantation.
- Organic Chocolate Factory.
- Cocoa Museum.

SCHEDULE

We will drive to the picturesque village of Chacaracuar, fifty minutes far from Carúpano. We will visit there an **old cocoa plantation** close to Hacienda Bukare, where our guide is to show us the growing and harvesting of cocoa, as well as its regional four centuries history. Afterwards, we will go into the little **chocolate factory**, a place where we will learn details about the entire organic chocolate process from the initial preparation proceedings to the molding into bars and bonbons. A small **Cocoa Museum** is located beside the factory, and it is a place where we can know something more about the time when our excellent cocoa seeds were the principal exportation product all over the world. Of course, you could taste and buy chocolate at the final of the tour.

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DAY TOUR “SANTA ISABEL”

HIGHLIGHTS

- Boat trip along Parque Nacional Península de Paria.
- Hiking through tropical rain forest at Santa Isabel.
- Bathing and entertainments at Santa Isabel river and Playa Negra.

SCHEDULE

We will start a boat trip from **San Juan de las Galdonas** wharf (one hour and a half from Carúpano) going along the edge of **Peninsula de Paria National Park** coasts, with exotic beaches and colourful fishery towns. After forty-five minutes on “peñero” boat we will arrive to **Santa Isabel** village, where we will initiate a **two hours roundtrip hiking**, sometimes literally along a tropical rain forest river. Lengthwise the hike we will find a lot of chances to take a river bath and enjoy. On returning and after having a very typical lunch at Santa Isabel, we will be back to San Juan de las Galdonas. On the way, however, we will have a brief stop at the virginal **Playa Negra** in order to take a bath and relax. We will reach San Juan at about five o'clock.

NOTES

- The tour includes transportation on boat, qualified guides, lunch, and beverages (open bar).
- It is advisable to wear bathing suit or light dress and solid walking shoes, as well as sun – glasses, sun blocker and head cover.
- The tour has one start in a week. For any reservation, please pay a call to us or write on our e-mail at least two days in advance.
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DAY TOUR “TURUÉPANO”

HIGHLIGHTS

- Boat trip along Caños (delta rivers) in Turuépano National Park.
- High Mangrove Swampland Flora and Fauna.
- Hiking through tropical rain forest to La Cascada waterfall.
- Orinoco Paria Camp at Caño Guariquén.

SCHEDULE

The tour starts at eight o'clock at **Ajies wharf**, little village fifty minutes far from Carúpano, and threshold to **Turuépano National Park**. We will take a one hour and a quarter ride to **La Cascada** along **caños Ajies, Turuépano, and Guariquén**, black salty waters that are influenced by tidal action. We will arrive to the place where we will initiate a **forty minutes hike through tropical rain forest** to the nice waterfall La Cascada. Here we will take a refreshing bath before returning to the boat and go sailing to **Orinoco Paria Camp**, an indigenous style lodge located in a remote island at Caño Guariquén. After having lunch there, we will go back to Ajies at three o'clock.

NOTES

- The tour includes transportation on boat, qualified guides, lunch, and beverages (open bar).
- It is advisable to wear light dress and solid walking shoes, as well as sun – glasses, sun blocker and head cover. Insect repellent is also recommended.
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DAY TOUR “CUEVA DEL GUÁCHARO”

HIGHLIGHTS

- Colonial town of Catuaro
- Visit of town Caripe and opportunity to buy local handicrafts
- Guácharo Cave and Humboldt Museum
- Handicrafts village Cerezal

SCHEDULE

We will leave Carúpano at 7:30 o'clock on the southeast highway, which offers beautiful views of xerophile vegetation. Then, we will continue on an ascending highway by **Turimiquire** mountains that leads us into an area of refreshingly cool climate, picturesque towns, and high mountains surrounding them. After two hours and a half trip we will arrive at **Guacharo Cave**, beside **Humboldt Museum**. This is the largest and most explored cave in South America. The cave is inhabited by millions of the nocturnal Guácharo birds. We will enter the cave and explore its accessible parts with a guide. After the **two hours roundtrip hike** into the cave, we will have lunch in a typical restaurant nearby. Our drive back will lead us to the small village of Cerezal where we will have the opportunity to buy **local handicrafts**. At about six o'clock we will be back in Carúpano.

NOTES

- The tour includes transportation, qualified guides, visit fee, lunch, and beverages (open bar).
- Good shoes are advisable due to the high humidity in the cave. Bring warm clothes during the rainy season. No cameras are allowed into the cave.
- The tour has two starts in a week. For any reservation, please pay a call to us or write on our e-mail at least two days in advance.
- The tour can be booked with a minimum of six (06) participants.

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