



USA - HISTORIC PUERTO RICO - 4N / 5D



ITINERARY

Itinerary:

Day 01 -Arrive in San Juan

San Juan is the capital and most populous city in Puerto Rico. Founded in 1521 by Juan Ponce de León, who named it City of Puerto Rico ("Rich Port"). The capital of Puerto Rico is the oldest city under U.S. jurisdiction. The history of San Juan begins a long time before its official foundation, in 1493, Christopher Columbus landed in Puerto Rico. He named the island "San Juan Bautista", in honor of John the Baptist. Check into hotel upon arrival.



Day 02 - San Juan City Tour

Breakfast at the hotel. You'll enjoy a fascinating guided tour of Bacardi, the world's largest rum distillery. Next, you'll visit Old San Juan, the second oldest city in the New World, dating back to 1513. You'll see excellent examples of Spanish colonial architecture, walk along the old cobblestone streets and visit the famous forts and landmarks that make Old San Juan one of Puerto Rico's must-see destinations. (Meals: B)

Day 03- San Juan -El Yunque Rainforest

Breakfast at the hotel. According to ancient Indian legend, the good spirit Yuquiyu reigned at El Yunque on his mighty mountain-top throne, protecting Puerto Rico and its people. On this fascinating tour, you'll pass typical native towns before ascending through rapidly changing vistas of amazing vegetation to reach El Yunque. The rainforest is home to more than 240 species of plants and wildlife. You'll see tree orchids, giant ferns, wild flowers, tropical hardwoods and spectacular waterfalls, panoramic views of the entire north-east coast. (Meals: B)

Day 04- San Juan - Rio Camuy Cave Park & Arecibo Observatory
Breakfast at the hotel. Today's tour takes you to part of the third largest underground river cavern system in the world. From sinkholes and cathedral-like caverns, to views of the mysterious river and its stalactites and stalagmites. Then see the largest radar/radio telescope. The telescope probes the ionosphere, examines planets and monitors natural radio emissions from distant galaxies, pulsars and quasars. The Arecibo Observatory is the world's largest radar/radio telescope. Here, scientists from all over the world use a giant 1000 foot (305 meter) diameter dish to listen to the universe. (Meals: B)

Day 05-Departure from San Juan

Today we finish our trip and get ready to fly back home or to the next destination (Meals: B)