



7 - 6
Days Nights

CODE:
PCAMTAD

2 COUNTRIES:
El Salvador Y Honduras

OPERATES:
Package may start any day.

SERVICE:
Private services (vehicle and guides in El Salvador, regular shared services in Roatan)

DIFFICULTY LEVEL:
Easy

LODGING
• 3 nights in Jiquilisco Bay (El Salvador)
• 3 nights in Roatán (Honduras).

HIGHLIGHTS:
• Walk through a forest in search of fauna such as birds and spider monkeys.
• Participate in a Sea Turtle Tour conservation program at Jiquilisco Bay, a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve.
• Swim with Dolphins at Roatán.



Dolphin Encounter

TURTLES AND DOLPHINS

A wonderful combination with amazing eco friendly experiences! Of the 7 species of sea turtles known in the world, 4 nest in the coasts of El Salvador; you will learn about these species, participate in conservation programs, and witness some of these amazing creatures. From the Pacific Ocean, you will fly to the Caribbean Sea to Roatán Island, a paradise of white sand beaches, amazing snorkeling and the great experience of swimming with dolphins!

GENERAL ITINERARY:

Day 1: Arrival to El Salvador. Transfer to Jiquilisco Bay. Night in San Salvador

Day 2: Cacao Tour. Local Lunch. Forest walk in search of Monkeys. Night in Jiquilisco Bay (B, L)

Day 3: Sea Turtle conservation program. Lunch. Free Afternoon. Night in Jiquilisco Bay (B, L)

Day 4: Private transfer to airport for flight to Roatán. Regular transfer to selected hotel. Night in Roatán. (B)

Day 5: Dolphin Action Swim. Return to hotel. Night in Roatán. (B)

Day 6: Free Day at hotel. Night in Roatán (B)

Day 7: Regular transfer to airport for departure flight. (END OF SERVICES) (B)

INCLUDES:

- 6 nights lodging at selected hotels:
 - o 3 nights in Jiquilisco Bay (El Salvador)
 - o 3 nights in Roatán (Honduras)
- Private vehicle and driver in El Salvador.
- Regular transfer in Roatán (Airport – hotel- airport).
- Meals: Breakfasts (6) Lunches (2)
- Private English-speaking guide in El Salvador.
- All activities and entrances as stated on detailed itinerary: Cacao Tour, Monkey tour, Hawksbill Sea Turtle Tour, Swimming with Dolphins activity.
- All local taxes and fees are included.

Does NOT include:

Other meals, Tips, personal expenses, Travel Insurance, international flights (does not include SALRTB flight), airport taxes, and any services not specifically mentioned.



SPECIFIC CONDITIONS:

- All general conditions apply.
- Cacao tour is available only from Monday to Friday before noon.
- Spotting a sea turtle depends on nature, it can't be 100% guaranteed.
- Kids under 13 must be accompanied by an adult inside the water during dolphin encounter tour.
- Extra fee may apply for high season such as Holy Week and from 15 December to 15 January.
- We reserve the right to change itinerary due to weather or any other situation outside of our control.

HOTELS

JIQUILISCO:

- A) Puerto Barillas - Apartment
- B) Puerto Barillas - Tree House
- C) Puerto Barillas - Tree House

ROATÁN:

- A) Infinity Bay beach Resort- Villa 1 bedroom- Beach view
- B) Infinity Bay beach Resort- Villa 1 bedroom- Pool view
- C) Mayan Princess Resort- Beach view



Sunset at the beach



National Palace

DETAILED ITINERARY:

DAY 1: ARRIVAL - TRANSFER TO JIQUILISCO BAY

Arrival to El Salvador International Airport. Transfer to hotel in Jiquilisco Bay.

Lodging at Puerto Barillas Marina, Jiquilisco Bay.

DAY 2: CACAO EXPERIENCE – FOREST WALK (B, L)

Jiquilisco Bay is a UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. It has a total area of 637 square km and 50 km of coastline. It includes mangrove forests, estuaries, sand bars, beaches, 27 islands of varying size, fresh water lagoons and seasonally flooded forests. It represents a transit point to at least 87 species of migratory birds. It serves as a nursery and refuge for a high diversity of ecological species.

Jiquilisco Bay also offers something that we all love: Chocolate! In Jiquilisco, the criollo type of Cacao is produced. Criollo is considered to be of the highest quality in the world. We will visit the plantations, see, touch and taste the fruits on the trees and also participate in hands on activities such as opening the cacao fruit, moving the seeds in the patio, etc. We will also walk through a forest in search of fauna such as a wide variety of birds and a community of spider monkeys

Lodging at Puerto Barillas Marina, Jiquilisco Bay.



Monkey Tour



Cacao fruit

DAY 3: HAWKSBILL SEA TURTLE EXPERIENCE (B, L)

Four species of sea turtles nest in El Salvador: Baule (leatherback turtle), Carey (hawksbill turtle), Golfina (olive ridley turtle) and Prieta (green turtle); all of them considered endangered species. The experience in Jiquilisco Bay will focus on the Hawksbill, one of the most endangered species in the world. Recent estimates reveal that only 200 females are left on the Eastern Pacific, and Jiquilisco Bay is their main nesting point.

We will join local biologists and learn about the Hawksbill Sea Turtle. Hawksbill turtles have helped keep our oceans healthy for millions of years. Today, the hawksbill is near extinction. They are captured and killed in fishing activities—entangled in coastal gillnets (especially lobster gillnets) and shrimp trawls, and are victims of illegal blast fishing practices that also destroy the local ecosystem. Hawksbill eggs are collected for consumption and sale by poachers who live in regions of extreme poverty where the eggs are an important source of protein and income. Hawksbills also are the only sea turtle species collected for the shell (tortoise shell or bekkó) by craftspeople, which turn them into combs, pennants, sunglasses and other trinkets.

Biologists will provide an introductory lecture about the conservation work around sea turtles. Then, we will head into the ocean and witness how they safely capture an adult turtle in order to study it. The information obtained goes to a master database which provides valuable insight regarding this marvelous species. We will be able to help the biologists in several tasks. The turtle is safely released back into the ocean.

Lodging at Puerto Barillas Marina, Jiquilisco Bay.

DAY 4: AIRPORT – ROATÁN (B)

This morning our private transfer will take us to the airport for our flight to Roatán. Lying just over 30 miles from the northern coast of the Honduran mainland, and located between the islands of Útila and Guanaja, Roatán is the largest of Honduras' Bay Islands.

Roatán, formerly known as Ruatan and Rattan, is known around the world for its scuba diving. The reef surrounding the island attracts beautiful tropical fish and snorkelers alike. Dive attractions include sea walls, shipwrecks, a submerged airplane, and night diving. Sea turtles, dolphins, and whales swim in the waters of Roatán.

Upon arrival, a regular / shared transfer will take us to our hotel.

Lodging at Roatán.



Sea Turtle tour



Jiquilisco Bay



Roatán

DAY 5: DOLPHIN ENCOUNTER – ROATÁN (B)

Today we will enjoy an amazing experience with dolphins learning about their behaviors. In the first session we will interact with the dolphins before entering the water (during this time you will also have a chance to take pictures with your camera). Then, we will place our cameras away. During the remaining time, we will be in the water getting foot push, dorsal fin rides, handshake, kisses, practice vocals and do other water behaviors with the dolphins. During this time, the photographer from the hotel will be taking pictures that will be optional to purchase once the activity is finished. Immediately following the 30-minute Dolphin Encounter, this activity allows you to swim and snorkel with our resident pod of dolphins on their terms, with no trained behaviors. You'll be captivated by their natural curiosity, intrigued by their whistles and clicks as they communicate with each other, and delighted to see mothers and their calves swimming side by side.

After tour return to hotel.

Lodging at Roatán.

DAY 6: ROATÁN (B)

Today we will enjoy a free day to enjoy the beach.

Lodging at Roatan

DAY 7: ROATÁN - AIRPORT (B)

Transfer to airport for departure flight.

END OF SERVICES.



Dolphin encounter



Roatán



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