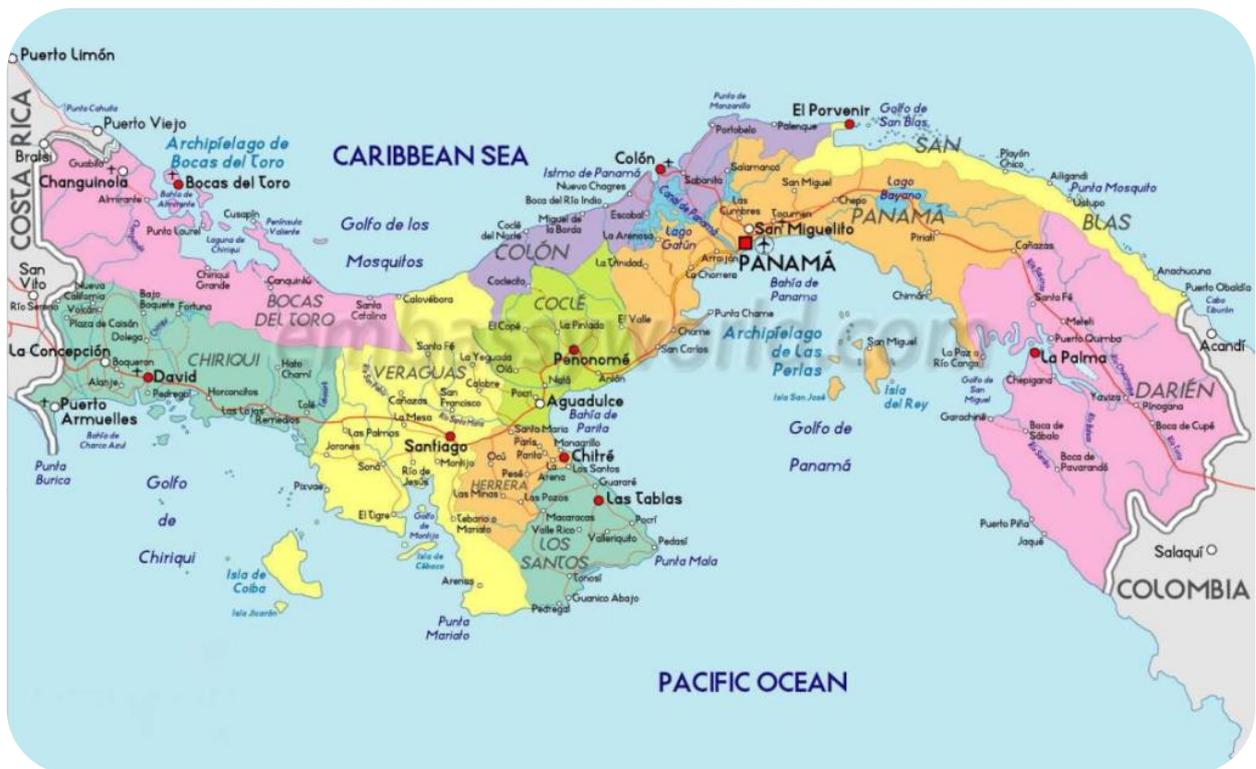


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PANAMA HIGHLIGHTS

PANAMA CITY – PANAMA CANAL – INDIGENOUS ENCOUNTER & THE COLONIAL TIME



Enjoy the most popular places in the Republic of Panama, you will be able to experience a fantastic mix of ecology, history, cultural and ethnic, adding beautiful landscapes and knowledge to your memories. You will see why we are known as a melting pot.

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DAY 1:

Transfer from Tocumen International Airport to Hotel

6 nights hotel accommodations in hotel of your choice, including breakfast.

DAY 2:

Full Day City Tour

Start in the morning visiting the ruins of Panama Viejo, the capital of Castilla de Oro, and operations center for the conquest of South America. Then we will tour the New Town, with its important banking and commercial center. Continue to the Casco Antiguo, a colonial area, which is the second oldest city of Panama, and is distinguished by its special architecture with Spanish and French influence.

We will visit the Plaza de Francia, Paseo Esteban Huertas, the Plaza Bolivar, Plaza de la Catedral, Plaza Herrera, San Jose church, Altar de Oro, National Theatre and other parks and attractions. In addition, you can visit the Canal Museum and learn about its history. We will have Lunch at Casco Antiguo and then, we will continue with our tour of Calzada de Amador Causeway, and its group of islands. We will stop at the handicraft market where you can purchase at great prices, molas, tagua work, the famous "Panama Hat", the Nghobe Bugle costumes and other curiosities of our different ethnicities. Depending on the time of the ships, we will visit the Miraflores Locks and the visitor center before or after the "Causeway" and the Casco Antiguo. Miraflores is the most visited locks of the Panama Canal.

- **Includes:** Roundtrip transportation, Bilingual Guide (English), entrance Miraflores Visitor Center lunch at the restaurant and beverages
- **Departure time:** 9:00 a.m.
- **Duration:** 8 hours
- **What to bring:** Comfortable clothing, sunscreen, sunglasses, hat or cap, camera and cash for Full Day City



DAY 3:

Transfer Hotel – Marina

Panama Canal Partial Transit (SIB)

Transfer from Marina – Hotel



Our tour starts in the Marina, where we board motor coaches for a 45 minute ride to the town of Gamboa where the Panama Canal Dredging Division is located. Here we will board the ship to start the water portion of the tour. The Panama Canal partial transit tour begins at the North end of the Gaillard cut, where the Chagres River flows into the canal. The Gaillard Cut (also known as Culebra Cut because its curves resemble a snake) is one of the main points of interest for visitors because it was carved through the Continental Divide and this section of the Canal is full of history and geological value. The vessel will travel the Cut's 13.7 kilometers on the way to Pedro Miguel Locks. As you transit the Cut you will be



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able to appreciate the continuous maintenance that this area requires, because it is very susceptible to landslides. In this area you will also be able to observe the work in process for the Panama Canal expansion project.

Before reaching the Pedro Miguel Locks at the Southern end of the Cut, you will be able to view the new Centennial Bridge which crosses over the Canal. Next, the vessel will enter Pedro Miguel Locks, which is one of the two sets of locks on the Pacific side, and here the vessel is lowered 9 meters in one step. You will then enter Miraflores Lake, which is a small artificial body of fresh water that separates Pedro Miguel from Miraflores locks, the latter being the final set of locks before reaching the Pacific Ocean. At Miraflores Locks the vessel is lowered 18 meters in two distinct steps.

Then you will pass under the Bridge of the Americas, and later, you will be able to admire the Bay of Panama and Panama City's splendorous skyline.

- **Includes:** Share transfer from marina – pier, guide, lunch, unlimited water and soda during the transit; private transfer from Hotel – Marina – Hotel and personalized guide during the tour.
- **Departure time:** 9:00 a.m. / Subject to change because of the Panama Canal instructions.
- **Duration:** 4-5 hours.
- **What to bring:** Comfortable clothing, sunglasses, hat, sunblock and camera.

DAY 4:

Embera Tour

This adventure takes us to the indigenous community in the Chagres National Park. We will get to know the culture of the Embera Indians and witness their artisans and enjoy the knowledge of botanical plants. Their cultural dances and music will make you travel back in time. If you like you can also paint your body as they do with the fruit known as Jagua.

We can also observe the grand variety of birds found in these areas. Walk in the jungle, explore waterfalls and learn from a magical culture, all this in just one day.

Includes: round trip transportation, snacks and soft drinks, lunch and specialized guide

Departure time: 8:00 a.m.

Duration: 8 hours.

What to bring: Comfortable clothing, sunscreen, sunglasses, hat or cap, camera, water shoes, bug spray and cash for shopping.



DAY 5:

San Lorenzo Tour

Begin your day at 6:00 a.m. with a journey from Panama City to Colon on the historical train built in 1880 by a French company which was building the Panama Canal. The train journey takes about 1 hour, taking you to

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Colon, going through the jungle, the Soberania National Park and along the Panama Canal.

Fort San Lorenzo has been designated as government-protected since 1908. Currently, the ruins of Fort San Lorenzo and the Chagres village site are contained within the 30,000 acres (12,000 ha) of the San Lorenzo Protected Area, all former Canal Zone territory.

In 1980, UNESCO declared Fort San Lorenzo, together with the fortified town of Portobelo about 30 miles (48km) to the northeast, to be a World Heritage Site under the name, Fortifications on the Caribbean Side of Panama. The organization describes the fortifications as follows: “Magnificent examples of 17th- and 18th-century military architecture, these Panamanian forts on the Caribbean coast form part of the defense system built by the Spanish Crown to protect transatlantic trade.

Important Note: This tour operates only Monday through Friday.

- **Includes:** Transfer from the Hotel – Train Station, one way by train from Panama to Colon, Gatun Locks visitor Center, lunch and refreshments, specialized guide, transfer back to the hotel.
- **Departure time:** 6:00 a.m.
- **Duration:** 8 hours.
- **What to bring:** Comfortable clothing, sunscreen, sunglasses, hat or cap, camera, bug spray and cash for shopping.



DAY 6:

San Blas Beach Excursion



The Caribbean archipelago comprises 365 islands. Many of these islands are uninhabited, but there is always someone who is in charge of their custody, especially the coconut trees that are their livelihood. Many of these are tropical islands with fine white sand and translucent, calm waters. During the tour, you will first go to Isla Aguja where lunch will be served and then you will visit Isla Perro with its famous wreck perfect for snorkeling. You will then go the Starfish natural pool in the middle of the ocean.

- **Includes:** Land and boat transportation, guide, breakfast, lunch, activities, visit Isla Perro and Starfish natural pool, soft drinks.

Departure time San Blas: 5:30 am.

- **Duration San Blas:** 11 hours.
- **What to bring:** comfortable clothes, sunscreen, hat or cap, camera, bug spray, original passport and water shoes.

DAY 7:

Transfer to Tocumen International Airport.

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• FARE BASED ON DOUBLE OCCUPANCY PER PERSON:
VALID: 15JAN – 15DEC 2019

HOTEL	Novotel	Hilton Panama	Included: <i>Airfare</i>
Single	5084	5500	<i>English speaking guide during the program. Private transportation from Tocumen Airport-Hotel-Marina-Hotel-Tocumen Airport. 6 nights of lodging in the hotel of your choice in Panama City, with breakfast, taxes and wi-fi. 1 welcome dinner in the hotel of lodging. Full Day City Tour, Embera Tour, San Lorenzo Tour and San Blas Tour. Panama Canal Partial Transit in shared basis. One way train ticket from Panama City – Colon in shared basis. Fuel charges & taxes.</i>
Double	4414	4645	
Child(2-11)	2527	2642	

❖ Rates are per person in ANG.