Cebu Heritage Tours • Itinerary

6N~7D: A Passage Through the Visayas

Travel through the heart of the Visayas on a carefully curated journey across Manila, Bohol, and Cebu. Historic landmarks, coral seas, and island traditions shape a rich and memorable experience.

PRICING	TOTAL TOUR DAYS	ARRIVAL PORT	DEPARTURE PORT
Ask us for a price offer	**6**	**Manila**	**Cebu/Manila**

Countries Covered: **Philippines**

Tour Overview

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- Arrive in Manila, where historic districts and modern city life create a refined introduction to the Philippines' rich cultural heritage.
- Discover Manila's storied landmarks, from the memorials of the Second World War to the historic streets of Binondo and the Spanish-era walls of Intramuros.
- Fly south to the island province of Bohol and settle into the relaxed coastal beauty of Panglao Island.
- Journey through Bohol's lush countryside, visiting centuries-old churches, encountering the rare Philippine tarsier, cruising along the Loboc River, and admiring the iconic Chocolate Hills.
- Cross the sea to Oslob for a remarkable encounter with the gentle whale sharks, followed by visits to the serene Tumalog Falls and the revered Simala Shrine.
- Explore the historic heart of Cebu City before concluding the journey with a graceful **sunset cruise along the Mactan Channel**, sailing beneath the illuminated Cebu–Cordova Link Expressway Bridge and Marcelo Fernan Bridge.
- Conclude the passage through the Visayas with lasting impressions of island landscapes, rich heritage, and carefully curated cultural encounters.

Day wise program structure

A Passage Through the Visayas - Heritage, Cultural immersion & Adventure

Day 01 — Arrival in Manila, Airport Pick-up and Hotel Check-in, Okada Fountain Show

Accommodation: Manila | Meals Included: Dinner

- Arrival in Manila, the vibrant capital of the Philippines and long celebrated as the “Pearl of the Orient.” Upon arrival, transfer to the hotel for check-in and time to settle into the rhythm of the city. Manila’s skyline blends Spanish colonial landmarks with modern towers, reflecting a city where centuries of history coexist with contemporary urban life.
- In the late afternoon, transfer to Okada Manila to witness the celebrated **Dancing Fountain Show -** the world’s largest choreographed water displays. Set beside Manila Bay, the performance combines water, music, and light in a graceful display that illuminates the evening skyline. Dinner follows before returning to the hotel.

Horse drawn "Kalesa-Calash" at Plaza de Roma Square, Intramuros, Manila.

Dancing Fountain at Rizal Park, Manila

Musical Dancing Fountain in Rizal Park-Liwasang, deemed as among the biggest of its kind.

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Makati skyline by night, Metro Manila, Philippines

Day 02 — Manila War memorial, Jones Bridge, Binondo Chinatown & Intamuros

Accommodation: Manila | Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- The morning begins with a visit to the Manila American Cemetery and Memorial, a beautifully maintained memorial dedicated to the thousands of soldiers who lost their lives in the Pacific campaigns of the Second World War.
- The journey continues across the elegant Jones Bridge into Binondo, established in 1594 and widely regarded as the world's oldest Chinatown. The district reveals a vibrant blend of cultures, historic temples, and bustling streets filled with traditional shops and markets.
- A visit follows to Manila Cathedral before lunch. In the afternoon, exploration continues within Intramuros, the historic walled city built during the Spanish colonial era. Highlights include the UNESCO-recognized San Agustin Church, the oldest surviving stone church in the Philippines and a remarkable example of colonial architecture.

American Cemetery and War Memorial. Located in Fort Bonifacio, Taguig City, Manila

Binondo Church in Manila, Philippines

Gates of the Chinatown in Binondo district, Manila

Built in 1571, Fort Santiago is one of the oldest fortifications in Manila, Philippines

San Augustin church and gardens, Intramuros, Manila.

Manila Cathedral, Intramuros, Manila, Philippines

Day 03 — Flight to Bohol, Panglao Island

Accommodation: Panglao - Bohol | Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- Transfer to the airport for a domestic flight to Tagbilaran in the island province of Bohol. Upon arrival, local representatives provide assistance and transfers across the island’s scenic landscapes toward the tranquil shores of Panglao Island.
- Panglao is known for its white sand beaches, coral reefs, and relaxed coastal atmosphere. Following hotel check-in, the afternoon unfolds at a gentle pace amid the island’s tropical surroundings.
- In the evening, dinner is served near Panglao Beach, where calm waters and ocean breezes create a serene coastal setting.

Passengers at Tubigon Pier walking for a ferry leaving for Cebu City.

Magellan's Cross at night, showcasing its beautiful mural and historical significance inside a well-preserved stone structure, Cebu

Magellan's Cross in Cebu City, Cebu, Philippines, Southeast Asia

The Cebu Metropolitan Cathedral, Cebu city, Philippines.

Heritage of Cebu Monument. Its depicts significant moments in Cebu's history start with fatefull fight of April 27, 1521 where Lapu Lapu killed Ferdinand Magellan.

Old Fort San Pedro in Cebu, Philippines.

Day 04 — Baclayon and Dauis Church, Loboc River Cruise, Tarsier Sanctuary & Chocolate Hills

Accommodation: Panglao - Bohol

Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- The day is devoted to discovering the cultural and natural treasures of Bohol. The journey begins with visits to the historic Baclayon Church and Dauis Church, two remarkable Spanish-era churches that reflect the island’s deep religious heritage.
- The tour continues to the Philippine Tarsier Sanctuary, where the Philippine Tarsier—one of the world’s smallest primates—can be observed quietly resting within protected forest habitats.

- Lunch is enjoyed during a leisurely cruise along the Loboc River, drifting past lush tropical vegetation and riverside communities.
- In the afternoon, the landscape opens to reveal the extraordinary Chocolate Hills, a remarkable formation of hundreds of symmetrical limestone mounds rising from the countryside. Viewing platforms provide panoramic views of this unique geological wonder.
- Return to Panglao in the evening.

The Chocolate Hills in the Bohol province of the Philippines.

The spectacular and iconic Chocolate Hills, Bohol Island, Philippines

Tarsier - Bohol Island - Philippines

Tarsier - the smallest primate in the world

Lake among green hills. Mangrove forest in Philippine Bohol island.

Emerald green colored Loboc river in Bohol, Philippines

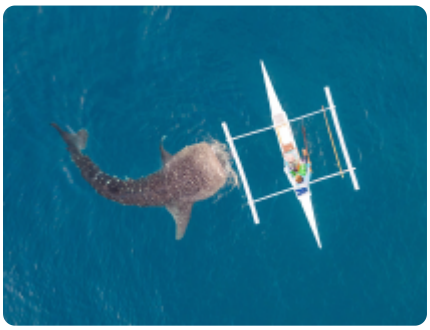
Day 05 — Ferry to Oslob, Tumalog Falls, Simala Shrine & Cebu City

Accommodation: Cebu | Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- An early morning transfer leads to the coast for the ferry crossing toward southern Cebu. Arrival in the coastal town of Oslob marks the beginning of a memorable marine encounter. (Optional for elderly passengers)
- From traditional outrigger boats, observers witness the majestic whale sharks that inhabit these waters. Known locally as “butanding,” these gentle giants glide beneath the surface while feeding on plankton carried by the coastal currents.
- The journey continues to the nearby Tumalog Falls, where a delicate curtain of cascading water descends through lush tropical vegetation into a cool natural pool. Lunch follows at a local restaurant.
- In the afternoon, a brief stop is made at the historic Cuartel Ruins before continuing to the impressive Simala Shrine, a revered pilgrimage site known for its ornate architecture and devotional atmosphere.

- By evening, arrival in Cebu City and hotel check-in. Dinner features a traditional **Boodle Fight**, a lively communal Filipino dining experience.

Whale Shark Watching in Oslob, Cebu, Philippines



Fishermen feeding gigantic whale sharks(Rhincodon typus) from boats in the Oslob sea, Philippines.

Tumalog falls, Cebu, Philippines

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Amazing secret waterfall with blue turquoise water. Tumalog, Kawasan Philippines Cebu Island.

Cuartel Baluarte Ruins in Oslob, Cebu, Philippines

Day 06 — Magellan's Cross, Basilica Minore del Santo Niño, Fort San Pedro & Sunset Cruise

Accommodation: Cebu | Meals Included: Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner

- The day begins with an exploration of historic Cebu City, widely regarded as the birthplace of Christianity in the Philippines.
- The first visit is to Magellan's Cross, marking the arrival of Ferdinand Magellan in 1521 and the introduction of Christianity to the islands. Nearby stands the revered Basilica Minore del Santo Niño, home to the Santo Niño de Cebu, the oldest Christian relic in the country and a deeply venerated symbol of faith.
- The journey continues to Fort San Pedro, a Spanish colonial fortress built to defend the early settlement from invaders. A stop follows at the Cebu Metropolitan Cathedral, an important center of Catholic devotion in the region.
- After a special farewell lunch, the afternoon includes a visit to the Heritage of Cebu Monument, a remarkable sculpture depicting key moments in Cebu's history. Time is later provided for shopping and exploring local boutiques.

- As evening approaches, transfer to the waterfront for a **sunset cruise along the Mactan Channel**. The boat glides gently beneath the illuminated spans of the Cebu–Cordova Link Expressway Bridge and the Marcelo Fernan Bridge, offering beautiful views of the coastline as the sky changes color over the Visayan Sea.
- The evening concludes with dinner before returning to the hotel.

Magellan's Cross at night, showcasing its beautiful mural and historical significance inside a well-preserved stone structure, Cebu

Magellan Cross Pavilion on Plaza Sugbo in Cebu city, Philippines

The Cebu Metropolitan Cathedral, Cebu city, Philippines.

Fort San Pedro, among the top tourist attractions in Cebu City

Old Fort San Pedro, Cebu, Philippines

Cebu City, CCLEX bridge illuminated at night, reflecting vibrant colors over the water.

Day 07 — Departure

- Early morning transfer to Mactan–Cebu International Airport for departure.
- The journey concludes with lasting impressions of the Visayas—its historic cities, island landscapes, and vibrant cultural traditions.

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Lake among green hills. Mangrove forest in Philippine Bohol island.

16,363 graves for USA military dead from WWII, including 3,660 unknowns plus 570 Philippine nationals who served with US forces. Also 32,520 American and 3,762 Philippine nationals listed on the walls of the Missing.

Chinese Lanterns inside a restaurant in Binondo, Manila

The interior of Minor Basilica of St. Lorenzo Ruiz, in Binondo, Manila

Magellan Cross Pavilion on Plaza Sugbo in Cebu city, Philippines

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What are the travel requirements?

- Passport valid for at least 6 months from the start date of the tour.
- Philippines allow visa free entry for tourists from most countries. Please refer to the Philippine Visa P0licy for various nationalities here.
- Health insurance valid for the duration of the journey, preferably "cash free" policies.
- Electronic Travel Authorization is required for boarding a flight to the Philippines. Please register 72 hours before the flight here.

Who can travel?

- Adult passengers from most countries.
- Minors must be accompanied by an immediate relative/guardian.

What is the best period to travel to the Philippines?

The ideal time to explore the Philippines is from November to June, when the weather is generally dry and pleasant. From July to October, rain showers and the occasional Pacific typhoon are more likely, but travelers may enjoy lower rates and smaller crowds during this off-peak season.

Are credit cards accepted in the Philippines?

Yes, credit cards are widely accepted in the Philippines, especially in major cities and popular tourist areas. However, cash remains the primary method of payment in many locations, particularly in rural or remote regions, so it is advisable to carry Philippine Pesos for purchases at such sites.

Can cash be carried into the Phillipines?

Travelers may bring up to PHP 50,000 in Philippine Pesos and up to USD 10,000 (or equivalent) in foreign currency without special permission. Amounts exceeding USD 10,000 must be declared on a Foreign Currency Declaration Form (e-CDF) to the Bureau of Customs (BOC) upon arrival. Failure to declare large sums can result in confiscation and penalties. Read more...

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