

4 days/3 Nights

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Bohol Retreat

Escape to fascinating Bohol; the 10th largest island in the Philippines, and now one of the Asia's top travel destinations. Enjoy a tour of the Chocolate Hills; the island's famous tourist attraction with symmetrical green mountainous hills as far as the eye can see. Enjoy a leisurely cruise down the Loboc River, amid tall palm trees and undisturbed jungle.

ACCOMMODATIONS

- 3 Nights Bohol

INCLUSIONS

- Private Arrival and Departure Transfers
- Private Bohol Countryside Tour with Lunch
- Daily Breakfast



ARRIVE BOHOL:

Arrive at Tagbilaran Airport and meet your driver for a private transfer to your hotel. The remainder of the day is at your leisure. Relax around the pool or take advantage of the numerous activities available.

(Accommodations, Bohol)



BOHOL:

After breakfast, meet your driver/guide for a Private Full-Day tour of the Bohol countryside. The tour starts in the city going towards east Bohol. First stop is the historic **Blood Compact Commemorative Shrine**, a historical landmark that memorialized the First Treaty of Friendship between the east and the west: Miguel Lopez de Legaspi, a Spanish conquistador, and Datu Sikatuna, a local chieftain.

A few miles from the Blood Compact Shrine is the centuries-old **Baclayon Church**, one of the oldest churches in the Philippines, known for its impressive carved wooden altars built during the Spanish regime. The church also houses a museum with its collection of centuries old religious relics, artifacts and church antiques.

Enroute to the **Chocolate Hills**, you'll drive through the lush man-made forest of the towns of Loboc and Bilar, planted with mahogany and endemic trees. You'll pass through the green farmlands of Batuan and Bilar, reminding tourists that Bohol is first and foremost an agricultural province. After ascending the viewing deck situated on one of the hills, one is able to have a wide vista of the 1,268 cone-shaped hills, which are green during rainy season, and chocolate during summertime, hence its name.

The highlight of this tour is a 50-minute **Loboc River cruise** on board a motorized catamaran boat. The Loboc River is considered as one of the cleanest rivers in the country. A sumptuous lunch of local cuisine is served while you are enjoying the beautiful scenery along the riverbanks. Later, enjoy a stop at a balsa (a man-made structure floating on the water), where one will see the locals performing local songs and dances. After the cruise and the performance, you'll return to your hotel.

(Breakfast, Lunch & Accommodations, Bohol)



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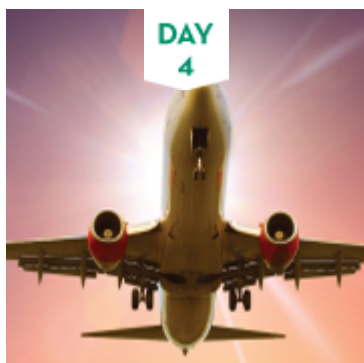
Today is at your leisure to relax or explore on your own.

One can visit the rare Philippine tarsiers. It's the world's smallest primate, known for their large, brown eyes, and can be found in Bohol's conservation sanctuary. Or enjoy one of the **optional tours** offered; a Private Tour of Pamilacan Island Marine Life. This full-day tour includes lunch, and starts with an early morning boarding on a motorized outrigger boat. The boat's crews are former whale hunters who now work as whale spotters. They are the ones who spot whales and dolphins for the boat to follow and the tourists to see. Several species of dolphins, including the playful spinner dolphins are considered inhabitants in the area.

At least 6 different species of whales (toothed and baleen) can be seen between March to June. The toothed whales are reportedly sighted during February to November, while the baleen whales are sighted from February to August. This trip includes a walking tour around the island to see how the locals live. The sandy shore with its clear and pristine water will provide an opportunity for swimming and snorkeling.* Enjoy a picnic lunch of fresh seafood prepared by the local women, and served al fresco.

**Bring swimwear, wide-brimmed hat, sun protection lotion and extra clothes. Snorkeling equipment can be paid locally.*

(Breakfast & Accommodations, Bohol)



DEPART BOHOL:

After breakfast, you'll have a private transfer to Tagbilaran Airport for your flight to your next Avanti Destination!

(Breakfast, Bohol)

*** Itinerary and inclusions are subject to change*