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Explore Guatemala! For the Adventure Traveler

Sep 14, 2018 - Sep 29, 2018

\$1,749.00 per person

Ready for an adventure of a lifetime?! Start your action-packed experience in the breathtaking Alta Verapaz Department white water rafting in Lanquin after visiting the beautiful Ram Tzul waterfall. Visit the region's prime attraction, Semuc Champey. And camp next to the magical Laguna Lachua cenote.

Continue on your journey to complete a rappelling excursion at the B'ombi'l Peq Cave on your way to Guatemala's treasured Tikal National Park.

After an exciting few days, take a relaxing trip to the Rio Dulce and experience the Caribbean paradise before making the trek up the Pacaya Volcano.

Spend some time at the most beautiful lake in the world, Lake Atitlán. Gain exclusive access to hidden treasures at the villages surrounding Lake Atitlán known only to local guides, and immerse yourself in the diversity of local cultures.

Finally, find yourself on the shoreline of the Pacific Coast on Monterrico's black sand beaches.

With luxury accommodations for 16 Days, including private transportation and travel, bilingual private guides, lunch, and hotels, this deal can not be beat.

Trip Summary

September 14 - Welcome to Guatemala!

Arrive at La Aurora International Airport (GUA) - La Aurora International Airport (GUA), Guatemala City

Transfer - Guatemala City Airport to Hotels in Guatemala City (Z-9,10,13) - Guatemala City

September 15 - Enjoy Nature in Ram Tzul

Transfer - Guatemala City to Lanquin - Lanquín

Enjoy Nature in Ram Tzul - Alta Verapaz, Coban

Check in at Hotel El Recreo - Hotel El Recreo

September 16 - Whitewater Rafting in Lanquin

8:00 AM Transfer - Lanquin to Saquijá Round Trip (Rafting Activity)

8:45 AM Whitewater Rafting - Lanquin - Lanquín, Alta Verapaz, Coban

September 17 - Experience Semuc Champey

8:00 AM Transfer - Lanquin to Semuc Champey By 4x4 Car Round Trip - Semuc Champey

Indulge in Semuc Champey - Semuc Champey, Alta Verapaz, Lanquín

September 18 - Relax at Laguna Lachua

Check out at Hotel El Recreo - Hotel El Recreo

Transfer - Lanquin to Lachuá Lagoon - Laguna Lachua

Laguna Lachúa Walking Tour & Camping - Alta Verapaz, Coban, Laguna Lachua

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Transfer - Lachuá Lagoon to Hotel Cancuén

Mayan Ceremony

3:00 PM Hotel Cancuen - Raxruhá, Alta Verapaz - Alta Verapaz

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B'ombi'l Peq Cave Rappel - Alta Verapaz

September 21 - The Mayan World

7:50 AM Hotel Cancuen - Raxruhá, Alta Verapaz - Alta Verapaz

8:00 AM Transfer - Cancuen to Tikal Inn - Tikal Inn

Tikal National Park Tour - Tikal National Park

September 22 - Explore the Rio Dulce

Transfer - Tikal to Río Dulce - Río Dulce

Río Dulce Tour by Boat to Livingston - Río Dulce, The Department of Izabal

Villa Caribe - Livingston, Izabal - The Department of Izabal, Livingston, Izabal

September 23 - Travel to Antigua

Boat Ride - Livingston to Puerto Barrios - Livingston, Izabal, Puerto Barrios

Transfer - Puerto Barrios to Antigua - Puerto Barrios, Antigua Guatemala

Hotel Posada de Don Rodrigo - Antigua, Guatemala - Antigua Guatemala

September 24 - Explore Pacaya Volcano

Round Trip Transfer - Antigua to Pacaya Volcano - Antigua Guatemala, Pacaya Volcano

Pacaya Volcano Tour - Pacaya Volcano

September 25 - Connect with Coffee

Transfer - Antigua to Panajachel (Lake Atitlan) - Antigua Guatemala, Lake Atitlán

La Azotea Coffee Tour - Antigua Guatemala

Posada de Don Rodrigo - Lake Atitlan - Lake Atitlán

September 26 - The Lake's Great Culture

9:00 AM Boat Taxi from Panajachel to San Juan & Santiago - Round trip - Lake Atitlán

Visit the Villages around Lake Atitlán - Lake Atitlán

September 27 - Relish in the Pacific Coast

9:00 AM Transfer - Panajachel to Monterrico - Lake Atitlán, Monterrico

Dos Mundos Pacific Resort- Monterrico - Monterrico

September 28 - Take a Day to Relax

Dos Mundos Pacific Resort- Monterrico- Relax Day - Monterrico

Take a Day to Relax, or...

September 29 - Farewell

10:00 AM Transfer -Monterrico to Guatemala City - Monterrico, Guatemala City

Flight from Guatemala City Back Home - Guatemala City, La Aurora International Airport (GUA)

September 14 - Welcome to Guatemala!



Arrive at La Aurora International Airport (GUA)



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Guatemala, Guatemala, GT

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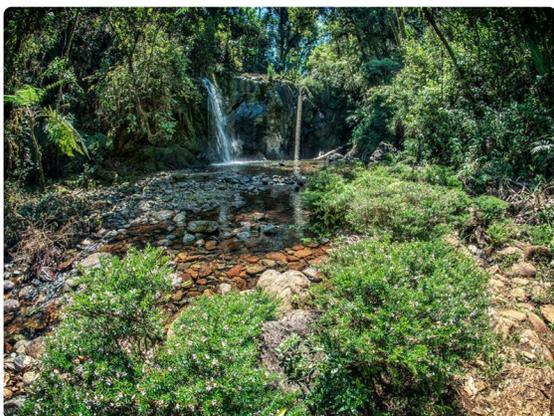
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Enjoy Nature in Ram Tzul

Down the road from Purulhá, Ram Tzul is set within a lush beautiful nature reserve. With a restaurant and impressive waterfall, you can have an up-close-and-personal visit with nature. The cloud forest reserve at this eco-hotel and nearby reserves, including the Biotopo del Quetzal, offer the opportunity to see the resplendent quetzal. This is truly a nature lovers paradise.



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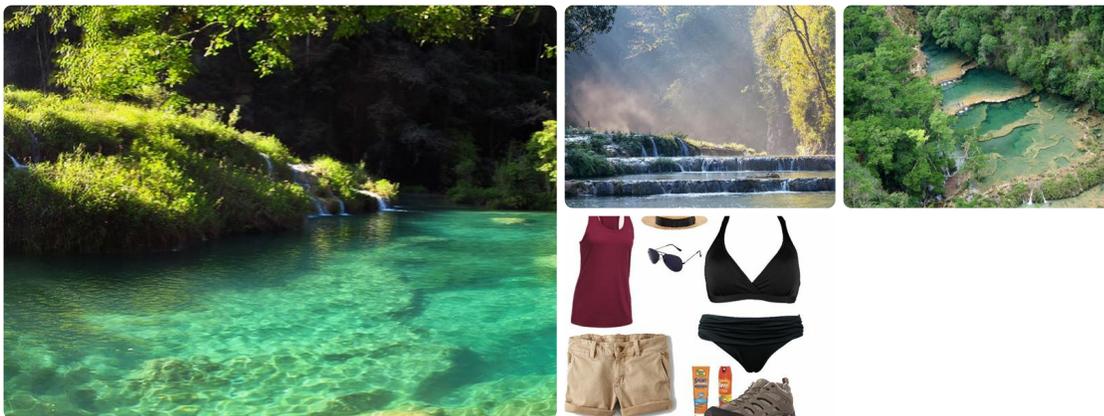
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Transfer - Lanquin to Lachuá Lagoon



Laguna Lachua
Alta Verapaz Department, GT

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Laguna Lachúa Walking Tour & Camping

Enjoy a walk through the Laguna Lachuá National Park. The National Park Laguna Lachúa is a circular lake surrounded by a dense tropical jungle. It is located in the tropical forest in the municipality of Cobán, Alta Verapaz, and is known for its exquisite beauty. About two kilometers in diameter and over 200m deep, the lake is home to an abundance of animal species including jaguars, pumas and tapirs.





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September 19 - Understand the Maya



Transfer - Lachúa Lagoon to Hotel Cancún





Mayan Ceremony

The Mayan Civilization, known as one of the mother civilization of humanity, has practices and traditions, which tap into the wonders of the universe and life. The

Mayan Ceremony is one of the best ways build an understanding of the cosmology and life vision of the Mayas. You will discover the process and the meaning of each detail of the ceremony and learn the meanings behind the beliefs. Aj'quij'= the spiritual guide, has the honor of being the intermediary between the cultures.

Guests can participate in the process by throwing candles or saying a pray. The main interest of the ceremony is to share Guatemala's customs and the Aj'quij' will always make the Ceremony in a way to show their thanks.



3:00 PM

Hotel Cancuen - Raxruhá, Alta Verapaz

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September 20 - Rappel the B'ombi'l Peq Cave



B'ombi'l Peq Cave Rappel

The name B'ombi'l Peq (Bombil Pek) Caves, means "Piedra Pintada" in Spanish, which translates to Painted Stone in English. The cave system, located in Chisec, Guatemala within the Department of Alta Verapaz, is considered sacred to the surrounding community, El Porvenir.

The ancient painted stones, likely to be of Mayan origin, can be witnessed only by way of an 80-meter (264 feet) abseiling, or spider rappel down. Those in search of a true epic adventure are perfectly suited for this awesome experience. Although you can also descend by way of a makeshift ladder, to enter the cave you must carefully squeeze and crawl through two small openings through the caves natural tunnels to find the rupestrian (cave art) paintings. Here is where the majestic images of the jaguar and 2 monkeys are painted.

To complete your visit to Chisec, a visit to the other natural destinations such as the cave system Jul Ik, and the Lagunas de Sepalau is highly recommended.



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8:00 AM - Central Time - 5 hr

Transfer - Cancuen to Tikal Inn



Tikal Inn

Tikal, PETEN, GT



Tikal National Park Tour

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September 22 - Explore the Rio Dulce



Transfer - Tikal to Río Dulce



Rio Dulce

Rio Dulce, Izabal, GT

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Rio Dulce Tour by Boat to Livingston

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The Department of Izabal

Izabal, GT

Location: Bordered to the north east by the Gulf of Honduras, the Department of Izabal is Guatemala's gateway to the Caribbean Sea. The department borders Belize to the north and Honduras to the east, stretching the length of Río Dulce (Sweet River) from Lake Izabal to the coast of the Caribbean Sea.

Landscape: Izabal is home to Guatemala's largest fresh water lake, Lago Izabal. Canons, waterfalls, lagoons, and rivers surround Lake Izabal, including the Río Dulce. Río Dulce flows into the Atlantic Ocean through Amatique Bay, where Livingston is located. The department hosts an aquatic ecosystem with vast wetlands and mangroves with a consistently warm and humid climate.

Culture: The culture in Izabal is like no other in Guatemala. Although the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the ruins of Quiriguá is located in Izabal, the department hosts a unique cultural diversity that is surprisingly not a majority of Mayan decent. The department hosts three other major ethnicities, these are Ladino, Garifuna, and Afro-Caribbean. The Garifuna people are of a mixed-African and Island Carib decent and speak their own Garifuna language. Livingston, a town on the mouth of the Río Dulce, is known for its uncommon mix of the Garifuna, Ladino, Afro-Caribbean, and Mayan people.

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Wildlife: Many bird watchers come to Izabal to enjoy the vast array of species of sea, shore and wading birds. Such species include herons, pelicans, and toucans. This is likely one of the best locations for bird watchers in Guatemala, as several bird species are found in this department's region of Tropical Rainforest, such as the Orange-breasted Flacon, White-collared Manakins, Olive-backed Euphonias, Gray-headed Tanagers, Golden-winged Warblers and Green-backed Sparrows. Other unique wildlife found in this region are the Caribbean Manatee.



Villa Caribe - Livingston, Izabal

Set in a low-key fishing village, this relaxed, seaside hotel is 10 minutes' walk from Playa Blanca.

The warm, colorfully furnished rooms feature balconies with lounge chairs and hammocks, as well as cable TV and free Wi-Fi. They also include ceiling fans, and detached bungalows add minibars and air-conditioning.

There's an international restaurant with a deck, along with an outdoor pool and tropical gardens. Other amenities include a dock and a heliport.



The Department of Izabal

Izabal, GT

Location: Bordered to the north east by the Gulf of Honduras, the Department of Izabal is Guatemala's gateway to the Caribbean Sea. The department borders Belize to the north and Honduras to the east, stretching the length of Río Dulce (Sweet River) from Lake Izabal to the coast of the Caribbean Sea.

Landscape: Izabal is home to Guatemala's largest fresh water lake, Lago Izabal. Canons, waterfalls, lagoons, and rivers surround Lake Izabal, including the Río Dulce. Río Dulce flows into the Atlantic Ocean through Amatique Bay, where Livingston is located. The department hosts an aquatic ecosystem with vast wetlands and mangroves with a consistently warm and humid climate.

Culture: The culture in Izabal is like no other in Guatemala. Although the UNESCO World Heritage Site of the ruins of Quiriguá is located in Izabal, the department hosts a unique cultural diversity that is surprisingly not a majority of Mayan decent. The department hosts three other major ethnicities, these are Ladino, Garifuna, and Afro-Caribbean. The Garifuna people are of a mixed-African and Island Carib decent and speak their own Garifuna language. Livingston, a town on the mouth of the Río Dulce, is known for its uncommon mix of the Garifuna, Ladino, Afro-Caribbean, and Mayan people.

What you will see: The Department of Izabal centers around Lake Izabal, Río Dulce, and the Caribbean. The area is considered to be a paradise for boaters, sailors, and cruisers, with many cruise ships landing in Puerto Barrios. Many visitors come to enjoy bird watching and orchid spotting, where many unique species of aquatic birds can be found. Izabal is also a popular location for diving and fishing.

Wildlife: Many bird watchers come to Izabal to enjoy the vast array of species of sea, shore and wading birds. Such species include herons, pelicans, and toucans. This is likely one of the best locations for bird watchers in Guatemala, as several bird species are found in this department's region of Tropical Rainforest, such as the Orange-breasted Flacon, White-collared Manakins, Olive-backed Euphonias, Gray-headed Tanagers, Golden-winged Warblers and Green-backed Sparrows. Other unique wildlife found in this region are the Caribbean Manatee.



Livingston, Izabal

Livingston, IZABAL, GT

September 23 - Travel to Antigua



Boat Ride - Livingston to Puerto Barrios



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Transfer - Puerto Barrios to Antigua



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Antigua Guatemala, Sacatepéquez, GT

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Location: Central Highlands of Guatemala; departmental capital of Sacatepéquez Department; approximately 24 miles from Guatemala City

Elevation: 5,029 feet

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Hotel Posada de Don Rodrigo - Antigua, Guatemala

One of La Antigua Guatemala's most enchanting hotels has been family owned and operated for generations. Consisting of three lovingly restored colonial residences — one of which, the three-hundred-year-old "Casa de Los Leones", is a national historic monument — the hotel perfectly captures the essence of old-world Antigua. All rooms are uniquely decorated with original artwork, hand-painted ceilings, fireplaces and furniture hand-carved by local artisans. The hotel's romantic restaurant features enticing Guatemalan cuisine, along with live Marimba music daily and Baile de los Moros folk dancing EVERY NIGHT AT 8 P.M.



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September 24 - Explore Pacaya Volcano



Round Trip Transfer - Antigua to Pacaya Volcano





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September 25 - Connect with Coffee



Transfer - Antigua to Panajachel (Lake Atitlan)



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Lake Atitlán

Panajachel, Sololá Department, GT

Location: Guatemala Highlands.

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Fun Facts: This volcanic crater lake is the deepest lake in Central America, and renowned as one of the most beautiful lakes in the world. Multiple Mayan archeological sites have been discovered at the lake; the latest Mayan "underwater city" (located 55 feet below the lake's level) discovered, dates back to the late pre-classic period.



La Azotea Coffee Tour

If you are a coffee lover, you have to know this place. The Cultural Center La Azotea is a site installed

in an old coffee mill that dates back to 1990.

The center has a museum that illustrates the process of planting coffee and dry and wet mills to process the coffee bean, the cultivation, the way to roast it, and the marketing.

The La Azotea Cultural Center has at its disposal the K'ojom House and the Sacatepéquez Corner. Those who attend have the opportunity to view antiques and articles found in their permanent exhibitions. This experience allows you to travel through time and learn the operation of the coffee farm.



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Posada de Don Rodrigo - Lake Atitlan

Gazing across Lake Atitlán in the majestic Guatemalan Highlands, Hotel La Posada de Don Rodrigo Panajachel Atitlán is an intimate retreat surrounded by lush gardens and lawns. The hotel is situated at the end of Calle Santander, Panajachel's main shopping and dining thoroughfare, offering a tranquil oasis just steps from bustling native markets, artisan shops and restaurants.

In addition to 39 individually decorated guest rooms with spectacular lake views, special touches include a beautifully landscaped pool with slides, an intimate restaurant serving local and international cuisine, live folkloric Marimba music and dance performances, and the "Museo Lacustre" (Lakeside

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September 26 - The Lake's Great Culture



9:00 AM - Central Time - 30 min

Boat Taxi from Panajachel to San Juan & Santiago - Round trip



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Visit the Villages around Lake Atitlán

Gain exclusive access to hidden treasures known only to local guides and immerse yourself in the diversity of local cultures.

San Juan La Laguna: This tiny pueblito is home to cooperatives that sell traditional textiles, paintings, weavings and other Guatemalan goodies that serve as great souvenirs. Being one of the less-visited towns around the lake, San Juan offers a more authentic, Guatemalan experience than that of nearby San Pedro or Panajachel.

Santiago Atitlán: is famous for the neighborhood house where the syncretized deity Maximón resides for the current year. Santiago Atitlan is home of the Cojolya Weaving Center and Museum, founded by the Cojolya Association of Maya Women Weavers. The museum shows the history, tradition, and process of backstrap-loom weaving, and the evolution of the traditional costume of the Tzutujil, and the indigenous people of Santiago Atitlán. San Juan la Laguna hosts the origins of cotton and the museum offers a unique insight into the process of thread dying and the transformation from cotton to distinct wearables.



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September 27 - Relish in the Pacific Coast



9:00 AM - Central Time - 4 hr 15 min

Transfer - Panajachel to Monterrico



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Monterrico, Santa Rosa, GT

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Dos Mundos Pacific Resort- Monterrico

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September 28 - Take a Day to Relax



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Take a Day to Relax, or...

Today, we took a day off from activities on the schedule. However, for those of you who love adventure, we can schedule another amazing activity for your time at the Pacific. With many options to chose from:

- Horseback riding
- Mangrove tour
- Fishing
- Nature Conservation

We are sure to pack your day with adventure. Let us know in advance and we can schedule a day separate from the group, or plan a group outing.

*Activities for this day not included in group tour price.

September 29 - Farewell



10:00 AM - Central Time

Transfer -Monterrico to Guatemala City



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Guatemala, Guatemala, GT

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Flight from Guatemala City Back Home



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Information & Documents



INCLUSION

All Tours Include: Meet and Greet at the airport, English Speaking Guide, Private Transportation (boats in noted locations), Lunch in White water rafting, Semuc Champey trip, Arrival day in Hotel Cancuén, and Rappeling excursion), All Meals in Laguna Lachua, Entrance Fees, and Necessary Donations.

All Hotels Include: Breakfast and Taxes



TERMS & CONDITIONS

Payment Policy

Agreement

Enrollment and payment for a service or a package implies agreement and acceptance of the terms and conditions set forth below. In this agreement, Columbus Luxury Travel S.A. may be referred to as the operator, or Columbus Luxury Travel.

Reservations

Reservations should be made in writing.

Invoices

An invoice will be issued upon confirmation of service.

Payment Terms

**Until a deposit has been made, no services can be guaranteed.*

A 25% deposit should be made upon confirmation of services.

A 50% deposit should be made within 30 days of confirmed services.

Payment in full should be made within 45 days prior to date of arrival.

Any services confirmed by Columbus Luxury Travel during the time of activity planning are subject to availability if payment has not been received.

Forms of Payment

Bank/Wire Transfer

Payments can be made by check or wire transfer. Please contact us for bank information.

Credit Card

Please go to the "Pay an Invoice" page on our website to utilize credit card payments. Please note there is a 3% charge for credit card charges.

CANCELLATION

Cancellation and Refund Policy

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Cancellations must be made in writing. The following charges and refunds will apply when a cancellation is made after Columbus Luxury Travel confirms the booking:

If a trip is cancelled more than 45 days prior to start date, any cancellation fees, surcharges, or nonrefundable deposits charged to Columbus Luxury Travel by individual hotels, airlines or other third parties will be charged. Additionally, a cancellation fee of 10% of the total trip cost will apply. The

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If a trip is cancelled within 30 days prior to arrival date 100% cancellation fees will apply. No refunds will be made.

We strongly recommend that each client purchase comprehensive trip-cancellation insurance (must be purchased through a third party insurer — not provided by Columbus Luxury Travel).

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