



# Quick Escape to Puerto Rico

## Day 1 - Exploring San Juan

- Old San Juan Attractions
  - La Ventana del Mar
    - A nice small park right before entering Old San Juan
  - Castillo de San Cristobal
    - One of the two old fortifications, if you're visiting two buy the combined ticket
  - Plaza Colon
    - Lively town square for shopping, bars, and restaurants
  - Castillo San Felipe del Morro
    - The second fortification, visit for the lawn with flying kites
  - Exploring the stunning streets:
    - Calle del Cristo, Calle de San Justo, Calle de Fortaleza, Paseo de la Princesa
  - La Perla
    - Filming location of Despacito
    - If you choose to visit, use caution as this used to be a bad neighborhood
- Nightlife
  - Placita de Santurce: Lively neighborhood, good for going out
  - Club Kronos: A big club in the Condado neighborhood
- Food & Drink Picks for San Juan
  - El Jibarito: A popular spot in town known for good food
  - Hecho en Casa: Awesome spot for mofongo
  - La Factoria: The most famous bar in San Juan known from Despacito
  - Barrachina: Birthplace of Pina Colada, very touristy

## Day 2 - El Yunque National Rainforest and Beach

- El Yunque
  - National Rainforest: You can hike, swim or drive through
  - Stop at Yokahu Observation Tower
  - This is more than half a day of an excursion - plan based on activity
- Option 1: Head Back to San Juan Area
  - Visit Isla Verde area for an awesome afternoon on the white sand beach
  - El Alambique: A beach-club restaurant
- Option 2: Stay Closer to Ceiba Port
  - Will make traveling to Culebra or Vieques easier in the morning
  - Visit Bioluminescent Bay in Fajardo at night



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## Day 3 - Visit Culebra or Vieques

- Transportation to the Islands
  - Need to catch a ferry from Ceiba Port - look at timetables ahead of time
  - Ferry not guaranteed to plan two times
  - Cannot take rental cars on the island - plan parking
- Culebra: Beach Paradise
  - Known for world-famous Flamenco Beach
  - White sand beaches, snorkeling, diving
  - Perfect for a simple day trip so keep ferry times in mind for return
- Vieques: Perfect Nature Escape
  - Mosquito Bay: World's brightest bioluminescent bay
  - Stay on the island if you want to see the bay at night

## Day 4 - More Local Side of Puerto Rico

- Local Mountain Drive
  - Lechonera Los Pinos: Amazing restaurant with the local specialty, roasted pork
  - La Curva del Arbol: A nice road stop with amazing mountain views
  - Aibonito: If time permits, stop in this stunning mountain town during your drive
- Quick Stop in Ponce
  - La Guancha Boardwalk
  - Parque de Bombas
  - Museo Castillo Serralles

## Additional Options Scattered on the Island

- Parque Las Cavernas del Rio Camuy
  - Located on the western side of the island, the impressive caves run daily tours
- Cascada Gozalandia
  - Also the western side, this waterfall allows you to jump into the natural pool
- Faro Punta Higüeras
  - A small picturesque lighthouse located close to Rincon
- Cabo Rojo Salt Flats
  - Located all the way on the south side of the island, these pink pool salt flats are stunning
- Playa Sucia
  - A stunning beach close to Cabo Rojo, a tourist hidden gem
- Cueva Ventana
  - A hike to a "cave window"
- Toro Verde Adventure Park
  - An adventure park with the biggest zipline in North America