

10 Days Nicaragua Highlights

Managua, León, Granada, Ometepe, Masaya & Laguna de Apoyo

Day 1: Managua

Arrival at Managua International Airport, and transfer to your hotel.

Managua is the capital of Nicaragua. It is home to almost two million inhabitants and is easily the largest city in Nicaragua. The city has a lot to offer: theatres, restaurants, bars, shopping malls and cinemas to name a few. At the Roberto Huembes market, one can experience an authentic Nicaraguan street market and buy souvenirs and handicrafts.

Managua is Nicaragua's main transfer hub; all domestic flights leave from Managua airport, as do most busses, both domestic and international. The domestic airport is located right next to the international airport, some 15 km from the city center.

Day 2: Managua – León

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the colonial city of Leon, founded in 1610. The city functioned as capital of the country on multiple occasions after the independence in 1821, alternating the title with Granada, until Managua was declared the only and permanent capital of Nicaragua.

We will visit the Cathedral of Leon, one of the most beautiful temples of the continent and the biggest one in Central America, recently declared as a World Heritage Site. This temple is the resting place of great Nicaraguans like Ruben Dario and Salomon de la Selva. Then we will visit Ortiz Gurdian Art Gallery where you will find an interesting collection that includes works from noted Nicaraguan artists as well as renowned international artists like Picasso, Chagall, Miró, and Latin American masters like Diego Rivera, Rufino Tamayo, Fernando Botero and Roberto Matta.

We will also go to Ruben Dario Museum, located in the house where the great poet lived during 14 years.

Day 3: León - Cerro Negro Volcano

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to Cerro Negro volcano, the perfect destination for people who love adventure. Cerro Negro is the youngest volcano in Nicaragua and one of the smallest ones. This volcano is completely covered with black sand and rocks that allow the practice of Volcano boarding.

We begin with a hike from the base of the volcano on a rocky path. Each person will carry their board for the descent. Once we reached the top, you will have an amazing view the Maribios volcanic chain. We will give you some pointers and make a small demonstration of how to handle the board. Going down is a lot easier, you can do it sitting down or standing up on your board. After this amazing experience, we will return to Leon.

Day 4: Leon – Masaya – Granada

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to Granada. On our way, we will visit Masaya Volcano National Park, where we can reach the top of a volcano by vehicle, in a paved road that takes us near the edge of the active Santiago crater.

We will continue to the Handicraft Market where you can find great souvenirs and beautiful crafts made of wood and ceramics, embroidery, hammocks, clothes and jewelry.

Arrival at Granada, the oldest city in the western hemisphere of the Americas, founded in 1524 on the shores of Lake Nicaragua.

Day 5: Granada

Breakfast at the hotel. We will start the day with a boat tour of Granada's famous Isletas, an archipelago of more than 360 islets formed by an ancient volcanic explosion, just off the shore of Lake Cocibolca. While you listen to your guide's commentary about the history of Lake Cocibolca, admire views of Mombacho Volcano and keep an eye out for native birds like tanagers, hawks, jays and warblers. Transfer back to Granada.

Optional Tours (Not included on the rate):

O Mombacho Natural Reserve – El Crater: Arrive Mombacho Natural Reserve covered in a dense cloud forest. Trek 1.5 miles (2.5 km) on El Crater Trail, looking for reptiles, monkeys and birds that are native to the area. Enjoy views of Las Isletas, Lake Nicaragua and the colonial town of Granada. Rate per person US\$ 44

O Mombacho Canopy Adventure: Board the minivan and transfer to the launch site for your zipline adventure, located near the foot of the volcano. After a safety briefing from an expert adventure guide, put on your safety gear and get ready to fly. Climb one of the 15 platforms and take off, zooming down 4,900 feet (1,500 meters) of reinforced steel cables. Fly over dense vegetation and coffee plantations while enjoying bird's-eye perspectives of Lake Nicaragua and Granada.

Rate per person US\$ 44

Day 6: Granada - Ometepe

Breakfast at the hotel. Departure to San Jorge to take the ferry to Ometepe Island.

Upon our arrival, we will take you to the hotel and then we will visit Charco Verde Ecological Park. The area consists of a lagoon and a beach surrounded by dry forest and gallery forest. The reserve is named Charco Verde (Green Puddle) due to the green color of the lagoon and it's also known for its mythical legends. During the hike along the beautiful trails, you will observe the lagoon and its biodiversity. You will hear the cicadas, the passing of reptiles and the singing of birds. You can also visit the Mariposario and enjoy the connection with mother earth.

Day 7: Ometepe

Breakfast at the hotel. Day at leisure to enjoy the beautiful flora and fauna of the area. You can choose one of the following tours:

Hike to Maderas Volcano (8 Hrs. approximately)

Early in the morning we will go to the slopes of Maderas Volcano. The humidity transforms the trail into a muddy, slippery path and sometimes you really must climb instead of walking. From the top, you can descend to the crater lagoon. Views during the hike are limited as you pass through the impenetrable cloud forest. During the hike, you might hear the calls of birds and monkeys howling somewhere near.

Kayak in Río Istiam (3 Hrs. approximately)

Istiam River is a sanctuary of migratory birds and herons. The kayak tour takes about three hours and can be done both in the morning and in the afternoon. During the tour you can enjoy exuberant flora and impressive fauna such as monkeys congos, centenarares of birds and cuajipales. In addition, you will have beautiful views of the two volcanoes of the island.

San Ramon waterfall & Ojo de Agua

San Ramon is a gorgeous 50-meter waterfall on the southern slope of Maderas volcano. A clearly marked trail takes you through dense jungle, passing by old trees covered in moss, vines and bromeliads. Howler monkeys live in this area, as well as a wide variety of birds, butterflies and other insects. Once you reach the waterfall, you can cool off in the small pool at its foot. Then, we will continue to Ojo de Agua, two natural swimming pools filled with thermal spring water from an underground well.

Day 8: Ometepe – San Jorge – Laguna de Apoyo

Breakfast at the hotel. Transfer to the port to take the ferry to San Jorge and continue to Laguna de Apoyo. Check-in at the hotel and time at leisure.

The Nature Reserve Laguna de Apoyo, or Apoyo Lagoon, is located between Granada and Masaya and was formed thousands of years ago. Laguna de Apoyo is said to have the clearest water of all fresh water lakes in Nicaragua.

Laguna de Apoyo is easily accessible by car but still far from being overcrowded. At the lagoon you can relax and go for a swim, or get on the water with a kayak or paddleboard. You can also hike in the surroundings, and see if you encounter monkeys, humming birds, toucans or quetzals. The flora and fauna in this region is incredibly diverse.

Day 9: Laguna de Apoyo

Breakfast at the hotel. Day at leisure at Laguna de Apoyo.

Day 10: Laguna de Apoyo – Managua International Airport

Transfer to the airport according to your flight's departure time. We recommend being at the airport at least 2 hours before your flight.

End of the program

NIGHTS	LOCATION	STANDARD	SUPERIOR
1	Managua	Mansión Teodolinda	Crowne Plaza
2	León	Las Mercedes	La Recolección
2	Granada	Patio del Malinche	Dario
2	Ometepe	Villa Paraíso	San Juan de la Isla
2	Laguna de Apoyo	Apoyo Resort (Standard)	Apoyo Resort (Luxury)

Nicaragua Highlights - Standard							
2 Pax		3 Pax			4 Pax		
SGL	DBL	SGL	DBL	TRL	SGL	DBL	TRL
\$ 2.494	\$ 1.874	\$ 2.173	\$ 1.554	\$1.411	\$ 2.042	\$ 1.422	\$ 1.279

Nicaragua Highlights - Superior							
2 Pax		3 Pax			4 Pax		
SGL	DBL	SGL	DBL	TRL	SGL	DBL	TRL
\$ 2.805	\$ 2.071	\$ 2.475	\$ 1.740	\$1.605	\$ 2.341	\$ 1.605	\$ 1.469

*Price in USD per Person,

**Valid for 2019 except (Holy Week: March 25 – April 01, National Holidays: September 14-17, December 07-08 & 15-31)

The Program includes:
Transportation

Private transportation in vehicle with air conditioning

Ferry San Jorge – Ometepe – San Jorge

Lodgment: Includes breakfasts and taxes

01 night in Managua / standard room

02 nights in León / standard room

02 nights in Granada / standard room

02 nights in Ometepe / standard room

02 nights in Laguna de Apoyo / standard room

Tours: Include transfers, admission fees and guide

City Tour of León

Sandboarding in Cerro Negro Volcano

Visit to Masaya Volcano

Visit to Crafts Market

Boat tour in Granada's Islets

Visit to Charco Verde Ecological Park

Hike to Maderas OR Kayak in Istiam OR San Ramón + Ojo de Agua

The Program does not include:

Airport Tax: US\$ 50.00 (Usually included in the airplane ticket rate)

Tourist Card: US\$ 10.00 (Paid at your entrance to Nicaragua)

Not mentioned meals

Personal Expenses or Tips

Insurance

NOTES

Leon Cathedral is closed on Sundays

Ruben Dario Museum and Ortiz-Gurdián Foundation close on Mondays

Reservations are made upon confirmation of purchase and payment arrangements

Availability subject to confirmation by our suppliers. In case there is no availability in the mentioned hotels, Servitours will offer an option in the same category

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SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

Nicaraguan authorities have emitted a resolution on January 17 2017 that establishes a series of measures to prevent the introduction of Yellow Fever into the country, protecting the health of its citizens and visitors.

Every Nicaraguan or foreigner who traveled to or is coming from the countries listed below has to get vaccinated and present an international vaccination certificate for Yellow Fever upon their arrival to Nicaragua:

Argentina / Bolivia / Brazil / Colombia / Ecuador / French Guyana / Panama / Paraguay / Peru / Venezuela. The measure also includes every African country, except for the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Tanzania, São Tomé and Príncipe, and Somalia.

**People who were in these countries on transit and did not leave the airport are not obliged to present the certificate.*

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