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THE PEARL OF THE ANTILLES – HAITI

THE UNDISCOVERED CARIBBEAN COUNTRY, WHICH HAS THE BEST CULTURE
IN THE WHOLE OF THE CARIBBEAN

10 days from : £1695

Despite the earthquake there are still many good places to visit and we are not withdrawing but rather adapting our programme in solidarity with Haiti and to help get it back on its feet as a tourist destination.

Port au Prince – Jacmel – Cap Haitian – Port au Prince

Haiti has Art, Artisanat, Historic Sites, their own style of Music, as well as beautiful beaches and mountains.

Haiti is renowned throughout the world for its Art - naïve, impressionistic, vodou, modern etc.

Visit the famous and unique metal sculpture village of Noailles, near **Croix des Bouquets**, where the artists make beautiful pieces from metal drums, using the most basic tools.

Visit Jacmel, the pretty seaside city in the South East of Haiti, with its New Orleans style architecture and its famous papier maché masks and other art.

Find out how this little fighting slave island beat Napoleon's army whilst visiting the historic sites.

The Citadelle La Ferrière is among the Wonders of the World. Situated on top of a 3000 ft mountain it is a World Heritage Site. An excursion to the Citadelle in Cap Haitian, the North of Haiti, is a MUST for all visitors. It includes lunch at a local Community centre, as well as guided tours by a man whose family have lived there since the Citadelle was built!!

Daily Itinerary

Day 1 Depart London

Depart Heathrow at 20.05 hours, arriving in New York JFK at 22.45 hours. Overnight in New York (at own expense)

Day 2 Port au Prince

Depart from JFK at 09.10 hours, arriving into the Haitian Capital, Port au Prince at 12.15 hours. On arrival you will be met and transferred to your hotel. Meet the local rep for a briefing/discussion about your itinerary.

Day 3 Port au Prince

Morning Historic city tour of Port au Prince including Avenue Lamartinière (Bois Verna) to view the Gingerbread Houses. The tour will continue with visits to the Unknown Slave Statue, National Palace, the Statues of 1st Emperor and 1st King, tour the Historical Pantheon Museum and visit St. Trinity Episcopalian Church with its native paintings
Stop for lunch in Petion-Ville at a typical Haitian restaurant (not included)
Afternoon travel to Fermathe – in the mountains above Petion-Ville and see the street art and handicrafts. Visit the Self Help project shop with the opportunity to buy embroidery, wood-carvings, ironwork, post cards, tee shirts, local made jams, etc.
Continue to Kenscoff, a typical market town in the mountains, and then on to the Boutillier lookout for sweeping views and the backdrop of the Massif de la Selle.
Return to your hotel.

Day 4 Port au Prince - Jacmel

You will be collected and taken to Jacmel for a city tour where you will see ancient coffee warehouses in the New Orleans style, Manoir Alexandre – an old house which inspired a Haitian novel (Hadriana dans tous mes rêves). See the lovely old cathedral and visit the site of the house where Simon Bolivar lived. Visit an artist's studio, local art galleries and the local market.
Continue to Cyvadier Plage and check in.
Free afternoon for lunch, a swim in the pool or the beautiful sandy cove, or just simply relax at this beauty spot.
Dinner and overnight at Cyvadier Plage.

Day 5 Jacmel – Port au Prince

After breakfast you will be transferred back to your hotel in Port au Prince.

Day 6 Port au Prince – Cap Haitian

Early morning transfer to the Internal Airport for a short flight to Cap Haitian. Transfer on arrival to Milot where you will be met by a local guide for a tour of the Sans Souci Palace. Continue to 2nd parking with Metro and take a horse ride to the Citadelle – approx. 30 mins. Fully guided tour of the Citadelle La Ferriere. Descend into Milot. Lunch at Lakou Lakay – a community restaurant during which you will be entertained with a local youth Vodou dance show. Overnight in Cap Haitian.

Day 7 Cap Haitian/Labadie

Transfer out to Labadie with free time to enjoy the idyllic Labadie area with its tranquil white beaches and a backdrop of rolling hills.

Day 8 Cap Haitian – Port au Prince

Transfer to Cap Haitian Airport for your flight back to Port au Prince where you will be met on arrival and taken for lunch at Sugar Cane Museum (not included).

Afternoon visit to Croix des Bouquets – the metal sculpture village.

Visit the unique village of Noailles in the area of Croix-des-Bouquets where every house is a metal sculpture workshop with their own different designs, all made out of recycled metal drums or parts of old cars. There is such a choice that you will need to bring an extra suitcase down to take home all your bargains!!

From Trees of Life, to little metal trivets with dragonflies or butterflies, and beautiful Haitian designed crosses, some in the natural metal colour, some in brightly painted colours. From little angels with gold wings to Nativity sets with the characters with gold halos and wings. Also original Vodou designs and masks which will look spectacular on your wall inside or outside. You name it, you can get it here.

UNIQUE – ORIGINAL – BARGAIN PRICES – all accolades from the many hundreds of visitors and buyers of this wonderful uniquely Haitian art form.

Day 9 Port au Prince

Free time until your departure transfer to Port au Prince Airport for your 12.30 hours flight to Heathrow via Miami.

Day 10 Arrive London

06.35 hours – arrive at Heathrow Airport.

NB. Flight times quoted are local. Programme details may be subject to change according to local conditions.

Included :

- Return economy class flights with American Airlines
- Airport taxes & charges
- Airport transfers on arrival and departure in Haiti
- 4 nights accommodation in Port au Prince

- 1 night at Cyvadier Plage, Jacmel (including dinner on Day 4)
- 2 nights accommodation in Cap Haitian
- Excursions as described in the itinerary
- Lunch on Day 6 in Cap Haitian
- Transportation with driver and English speaking guide
- Return domestic flight to Cap Haitian (including airport transfers)

Not included :

- Overnight accommodation and transfers in New York on outward journey from London to Port au Prince
- Meals unless specified as included
- Optional excursions
- Tips
- Items of a personal nature, laundry, etc

Prices per person :

Departures during 2010	Silver	Gold
Prices start from :	£1695	£1855

Please contact us with your preferred dates of travel for a specific price. Prices fluctuate according to availability at the time of booking

SILVER OPTION : Based on accommodation at the following hotels :

Villa St Therese in Petion-Ville, Port au Prince (including breakfast)

With friendly and accommodating staff this hotel is a midlevel hotel in the heart of Petion-Ville, the upmarket suburb of the capital, Port au Prince. It has a pool and a/c and very friendly staff with good service.

Norm's Guesthouse is on the bay of Labadie, two steps out the front door of this old Colonial house and you're in the sea!! Delightful family who own it and the service and food are excellent. Breakfast is included.

Cyvadier Plage Hotel is outside the centre of Jacmel, but the best hotel with an excellent restaurant overlooking the lovely sandy bay and serving locally caught fresh fish and lobster. This hotel includes breakfast & dinner.

GOLD OPTION : Based on accommodation at the following hotels :

The Karibe Hotel is in Juvenat, a very nice district about 5 minutes from Pétion-Ville centre. It is our newest hotel and is very popular, with a pool, gym and beauty salon. This does NOT include breakfast.

Cormier Plage Hotel is a typical all-inclusive, near to Labadie, outside of Cap Haitian and has a lovely long beach, very good food and service. This includes breakfast and dinner.

Cyvadier Plage Hotel is outside the centre of Jacmel, but the best hotel with an excellent restaurant overlooking the lovely sandy bay and serving locally caught fresh fish and lobster. This hotel includes breakfast & dinner.

NB. If you prefer you can obtain your own flights and just take our tour – please contact us for prices.

Booking

Contact us with your preferred dates of travel and we will send you a booking form to complete and return with your deposit once the arrangements are confirmed.

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