

#visitTrinidad



Yearning to experience a different Caribbean paradise...
something different. Then Trinidad is calling you.

Discover the vibrantly colourful festivals of Trinidad, be wowed
by the sweet melodious sounds of the steelpan,
the only acoustic instrument invented in the 20th century...
satisfy your taste buds with delicious culinary delights...
be amazed by the beautiful wonders of nature.

There is always something exciting to do in Trinidad...
365 days of the year.

Forts, Castles & Hidden Treasures of Port Of Spain

A guided vehicular tour of the Magnificent Seven; with a pitstop at the recently restored Mille Fleurs and Stollmeyer Castle representing the rich and diverse history of our capital city.

We then proceed to Fort George. The priority of the British in the years following the victory over the Spanish to capture Trinidad in 1797 was to secure the island against attack. A complex of fortifications was designed, of which Fort George previously called "La Vigie", was built in 1804.

Considered to be impregnable in its day, the Fort was the major defensive position on the island and was a key part of the line of defense to protect the island of Trinidad and its main harbor of Port-of-Spain from French and Spanish invasion. Today the Fort houses well preserved relics, including cannons look-out stations and an old chest. There is a jail house, in which the bars are made from rifle barrels.

Situated 1,100 feet above sea-level, the grounds of the Fort are beautifully landscaped and offer a spectacular view of the Northwestern Peninsula of Trinidad with its offshore islands, the Gulf of Paria and the City of Port-of-Spain.

Next stop is the picturesque village of Paramin where you drive along steep hills and view lush chive gardens, tour the beautiful Our Lady of Guadeloupe Roman Catholic Church with its stained-glass windows, and then journey to the La Vigie Paramin Look Out. In this natural and historic setting, one would have the opportunity to view the breathtaking sight of the setting sun while being serenaded by the sweet sounds of parang, and sampling local finger foods (Dirt Oven delicacies) and wine.



Murtis & Mosques

Since the mid 1800's, the East Indian population of Trinidad and Tobago has richly interwoven its rich cultural traditions across these islands, through dance, music, songs, festivals, craft, art, and architecture.

Your first stop will be at the Trinidad Muslim League Jinnah Memorial Mosque. Located in St. Joseph, this mosque is a great example of Islamic architecture and a beautiful example of a traditional mosque. Built in 1954 and named after Pakistan's first President, this beautiful structure once graced a local fifty cents stamp.

Weaving your way through a rural landscape of small towns and villages, we then head to the Temple in the Sea, a Hindu pilgrimage site built by one man, Siewdass Sadhu, over a period of twenty-five (25) years in testament to his religion. After being denied the opportunity to build his temple on land near the water, he decided to build the temple in the sea!

Your journey continues to the only one of its kind in the Caribbean – the Indo Caribbean Museum. Precious artifacts and literature collected from the period 1845 – 2008 are displayed here.

Our next stop is the Hanuman Murti, one of the highest Murtis in the Western World. On the same compound you can visit the Dattareya Yoga Temple located in a serene environment. This tour is truly a learning and unforgettable experience for you.

Special instructions: - All participants are asked to dress modestly in comfortable clothing and flat shoes.



Turtle Nesting Experience

Trinidad and Tobago, off the coast of South America-Venezuela, is known for its biodiversity and ecotourism wonders. One of Trinidad's natural history wonders is the viewing of the nesting of leatherback sea turtles on Matura and Grande Rivière beaches.

Take this opportunity to get up close to what's been called "the last living dinosaur," while helping prevent its extinction and to partner with the local communities of the Northeast region.



Caroni Bird Sanctuary

Around the world, Trinidad and Tobago is known as a bird watchers' paradise and the Caroni Swamp Bird Sanctuary is an experience to remember. Boarding a flat-bottomed boat, one experiences the thrill of journeying through a maze of mangrove lined waterways and lagoons. The Swamp, a Ramsar Site, is one of the most diverse mangrove wetlands in the Western Hemisphere.

One may view fiddler crabs on the mudflats, the occasional spectacle caiman on the embankment, the silky anteater in the mangrove and a variety of the many species of birds that inhabit the swamp. The most beautiful sight occurs just before sunset when hundreds of Scarlet Ibis, the national bird of Trinidad, come home to roost. The flaming scarlet birds against the evening blue of the sky are a sight you will not soon forget.



Angostura Butterfly Collection & Factory Tour

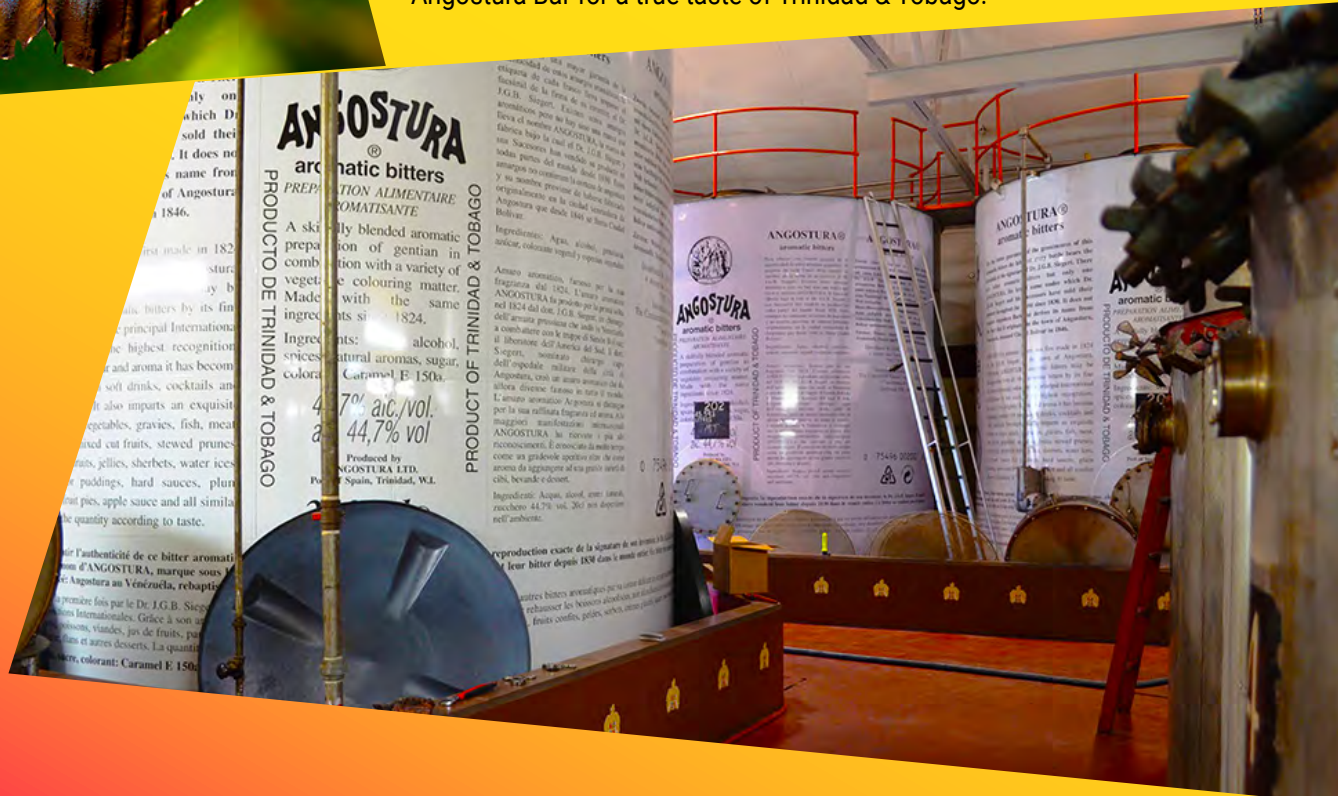
A must for those with a taste for history, mystery, creativity... and good rum.



What does a 19th century Prussian physician have to do with a popular Trinbagonian Souvenir? What secret formula is known by only five (5) people in the world yet is brewed right here in Trinidad & Tobago? What does the top local rum-producing company in Trinidad & Tobago have to do with an extensive butterfly collection?

The answer to these questions and other fascinating facts will; be revealed as we take you on an exciting and informative journey through the Angostura Bitters and Rum Factory... the Home of Angostura, established in 1824.

Add to this a visit to the Angostura Art Gallery (for some of the best in local art), the Angostura Gift Shop (for a wide selection of local crafts, souvenirs, and the full range of Angostura products) and a well worth it stop at the Angostura Bar for a true taste of Trinidad & Tobago.



City Tour & Maracas Bay

This tour combines historical Port of Spain with the beauty and splendour of our "green" places. We touch on all main points historical landmarks including Fort San Andres, the Magnificent Seven and the Queen's Park Savannah.

There is then a guided tour along the North Coast of Trinidad, with a breathtaking view of the Caribbean Sea on one side and cool, lush forest mountain faces on the other.

As you drive, breathe in the fresh air of the emerald-green forested mountains and experience dreamlike ocean views, fringes of golden sand, coconut trees and everything else that makes for a painting of the idyllic tropics. And after the magic of the drive comes the reward of Maracas Beach. There you can dip into the inviting sea waters or lie back on the soft sand, but you have no choice when it comes to sampling a mouthwatering Bake & Shark. You simply must try it.

This local snack gives you a taste of fried shark sandwiched in a fried doughy bake with every possible option for dressing from tangy garlic to local herbs (try the Chandon Beni), to ketchup and lettuce and more.





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