



The Caribbean island of Puerto Rico, with its awe-inspiring geographic features, deep history, world cuisine, authentic Spanish language and culture (need we mention the warm turquoise water?) is one of our favorite destinations, and because of it's so close to us it's exceptionally affordable.

This trip includes two overnights on the fortified island of Old San Juan, by an overnight on Luquillo Beach, and an overnight out on the island of Vieques - home to the world's brightest Bio-Bay.

We'll dig into the history Old San Juan while exploring its forts, castles, plazas and gardens. We'll go further afield to visit El Yunque Rainforest where we'll take a dip in the swimming hole at La Mina Falls. Our trip to Vieques bring us to sandy beaches and kayak across the Bio-Bay as night falls!

Day	City	Highlights
1	San Juan	Meet your Program Director at the airport for your flight to Puerto Rico! You'll be picked up on arrival and shuttled to your hotel in Old San Juan. Navigation workshop: Find Hotel, Plaza Colon, Fort San Cristobal, Santa Maria Magdalena de Pazzis Cemetary, Plaza del Quinto Centenario, Fortaleza San Filipe del Morro, Plazuela de la Rogativa, San Juan Gate, Plaza del Immigrante, Raices Fountain, and Paseo de la Princesa.
2	San Juan	Relaxed breakfast overlooking Old San Juan. Explore inside the 400-year old Castillo San Felipe del Morro, Casa Blanca (build for Ponce de Leon), La Fortaleza (the oldest governor's mansion in the western hemisphere), and San Juan Cathedral. Enjoy a relaxed lunch and spend some time exploring the famous shopping streets. Late afternoon exploring the Botanical Gardens.
3	El Yunque Luquillo	Morning exploring El Yunque Rainforest - Get oriented at El Portal Visitor Center, take in the panoramic view from Yokahú Tower, hike into the rainforest to La Mina Falls, take a dip in the swimming hole and then hike back out. Back on the shuttle, we're heading to Luquillo Beach! Lunch, then check into our hotel. Spend the afternoon at surf school or otherwise enjoying the warm turquoise waters.
4	Vieques	Morning ferry to Vieques. Shuttle to our beach hotel. Lunch/Shopping on the promenade. Visit a secluded beach with soft black sand and dreamy waves. Body surf / body board / swim / sunbathe / collect sea glass! Late afternoon horse ride (individual upgrade). Shuttle to the Bio-Bay at sunset, buddy up, and pick a kayak. Learn a lot about Dinoflagellate and a little about astronomy as we paddle out into the darkness across Puerto Mosquito, the brightest Bio-Bay on Earth.
5	San Juan	Churros Breakfast. Beach (time permitting). Flight home.

