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Panama

Jungle trails and Caribbean flair

Panama City welcomes us with a mix of colonial charm and salsa rhythms. In Gamboa Rainforest Reserve, we observe sloths, howler monkeys and poison dart frogs up close – this is just a fraction of Panama's incredible biodiversity. The journey ends with relaxing days on the Caribbean coast.

- Panama City, a vibrant metropolis
- El Valle den Antón
- Boquete: outdoor paradise in the highlands
- Relaxing on the Caribbean coast

11 days

15. Feb. – 25. Feb. 2027

Share a room

€3199,-

Have a room all to yourself

€3859,-

Day 1, Mon, 15.02.2027: Off to Panama!

Individual arrival in Panama City (not included in this Marco Polo tour package). After landing, group transfer to the hotel at approximately 6:00 p.m. (individual transfers available on request). Colourfully painted Caribbean-style buses wind through the streets past apartment blocks and office towers. Salsa rhythms fill the air and set the pace of the city. But first, it's time to settle in. During a welcome cocktail, we get in the mood for the exciting journey ahead.

Day 2, Tue, 16.02.2027: Soberanía National Park – Boomtown Panama City

First stop: Lake Gatún. A boat takes us across the lake, where we get a first look at the flora and fauna, as well as the large ships passing through the Panama Canal. We are accompanied by jungle wildlife such as sloths, monkeys, crocodiles and iguanas. At the visitor platform of the Miraflores Locks, we see global trade in action: container ships pass with millimetre precision between massive steel walls. Back in the city, we continue on foot through the colourful El Cangrejo district. In a rum bar, we try a combination of cocktail and chocolate, before enjoying Caribbean food in a small restaurant. B/D

Day 3, Wed, 17.02.2027: El Valle

A village in an extinct volcanic crater – unusual. Yet Valle de Antón is tropical green rather than lava black. Driving along the Pacific coast, we cross the Puente de las Américas and reach the small mountain village. First, we look at petroglyphs, then we hike through the cloud forest to a viewpoint with panoramic views. We continue our journey to Chitré. B

Day 4, Thu, 18.02.2027: Chitré

Change of scenery: In Chitré, life moves at a noticeably slower pace than in the capital. It's the perfect place to experience everyday life in Panama.



We visit potters and woodcarvers in their studios and learn about their traditional craftsmanship.

For a little refreshment in between, we try "pan de la arena", fresh from the bakery. In the afternoon, we experience local folklore with traditional costumes and music and learn how wooden drums are made. B/L

Day 5, Fri, 19.02.2027: Isla Iguana

By boat, we head to a true natural paradise: Isla Iguana – turquoise waters, snow-white sand, and a fascinating world of wildlife make Isla Iguana a dream destination for nature lovers. We arrive at a protected reserve with black iguanas, colourful coral reefs and, depending on the season, even humpback whales. Whether snorkelling, relaxing on the idyllic Playa El Cirial or taking a short hike with ocean views – the island enchants with its pristine beauty. A picnic, soft drinks and beach gear (sun umbrella, towels and sun loungers) are provided. B

Day 6, Sat, 20.02.2027: Chitré – Boquete

Off to the mountains! Our coach easily tackles the elevation gain as it makes its way to Boquete. Coffee plantations, vegetable fields and flower gardens – fresh air and good vibes in the highlands. Watching over it all is Volcán Barú, which at 3,477 metres is Panama's highest peak. Fortunately, it's dormant, so we can safely enjoy the view over the Pacific Ocean and the entire Boquete Valley. B

Day 7, Sun, 21.02.2027: In the realm of the sacred bird

Today, we lace up our hiking boots for a trek through the cloud forest. Our mission is clear: spot the sacred bird. "The Aztecs worshipped the quetzal as a deity," our scout explains. The roughly three-hour route takes us through cool cloud forest and lush rainforest – a landscape in countless shades of green. With a bit of luck, we may catch

a glimpse of one of these shy, brightly coloured birds among the treetops. Back in Boquete, we enjoy the afternoon at our leisure – ideally before the afternoon rain showers begin. B

Day 8, Mon, 22.02.2027: Leisure time

A full day at leisure! Today, you decide you how adventurous your day will be. Early risers can head up Volcán Barú for sunrise, travelling by 4x4 with the final stretch on foot to the summit. From the top, there are spectacular views of both the Pacific and Atlantic, with breakfast included. Or, if you prefer an adrenaline rush, you can choose to zipline through the treetops or take a tour across dizzying suspension bridges. All activities can be booked on-site for an additional fee and are accompanied by English-speaking guides. B

Day 9, Tue, 23.02.2027: Boqueta – Isla Colón

By coach from the highlands to the Caribbean coast. From there, a water taxi takes us across the turquoise sea to the island world of Bocas del Toro. The atmosphere is relaxed and distinctly Caribbean. Time to unwind! B

Day 10, Wed, 24.02.2027: Pure Caribbean flair

Did you pack your swimming trunks? Let's take a boat tour through the island world! Sloths hang from the branches, parrots squawk in the treetops – there's so much to discover! In Isla Bastimentos Marine National Park, coral species, colourful sponges, starfish and dolphins take centre stage. Off Crawl Cay, one of the best snorkelling spots in the archipelago, we drop anchor. Masks, snorkels and fins are provided on board. In the afternoon, time to relax on a Robinson Crusoe-style island. B/L/D

Day 11, Thu, 25.02.2027: Back to the city and return flight

After around an hour's flight, we return to the capital. In the Casco Antiguo, we embark on a journey through Panama's past, with a concentrated dose of colonial charm seasoned with pirate stories, while pelicans glide across the water. Group transfer to the airport at around 7:00 p.m. for the return flight (other transfer times available on request). Return flight on your own arrangement (not included in this Marco Polo tour package). B

B = Breakfast, L = Lunch, D = Dinner

Flights

International flights not included.

Hotels	Subject to change		
Place	Nights	Hotel	Category
Panama Stadt	2	Riande Urban Hoel	****
Chitré	3	Granz Hotel Azuero	****
Boquete	3	Valle del Rio	****
Bocas Town	2	Paraiso Caribeno	***

Travel documents and vaccinations

German, Austrian, and Swiss nationals require a passport that is valid for at least three months past the date of entry. Different entry requirements may apply to other travellers. We suggest checking with the relevant consulate. Up-to-date information on entry requirements and vaccination regulations can be found online and through the Federal Foreign Office.



Included in the tour price

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- Domestic flight as per the itinerary
- Group transfers to and from the airport
- Excursions and round trip in a local air-conditioned coach
- 10 nights in a shared or single room
- 10x breakfast, 2x lunch, 2x dinner
- English-speaking Marco Polo tour guide in Panama
- Entrance fees as per the itinerary

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Price per person from €

11 days	DBL	SGL
15.02.-25.02.27	3199	3859

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