



MORRILLO BEACH
ECO RESORT

2024

MORRILLO | VERAGUAS | PANAMA

SEA TURTLE TRIP

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Here in Morrillo, Panama we are passionate about education, culture, and adventure. Guests have a unique opportunity to work closely with marine biologists and educators in an intimate setting.

Our all - inclusive package combines seamless learning experiences and adventure unlike any other.

Combining these elements using a wholistic approach to provide our guests an unforgettable lifetime experience to learn about sea turtles, environmental conservation, and the Panamanian culture.

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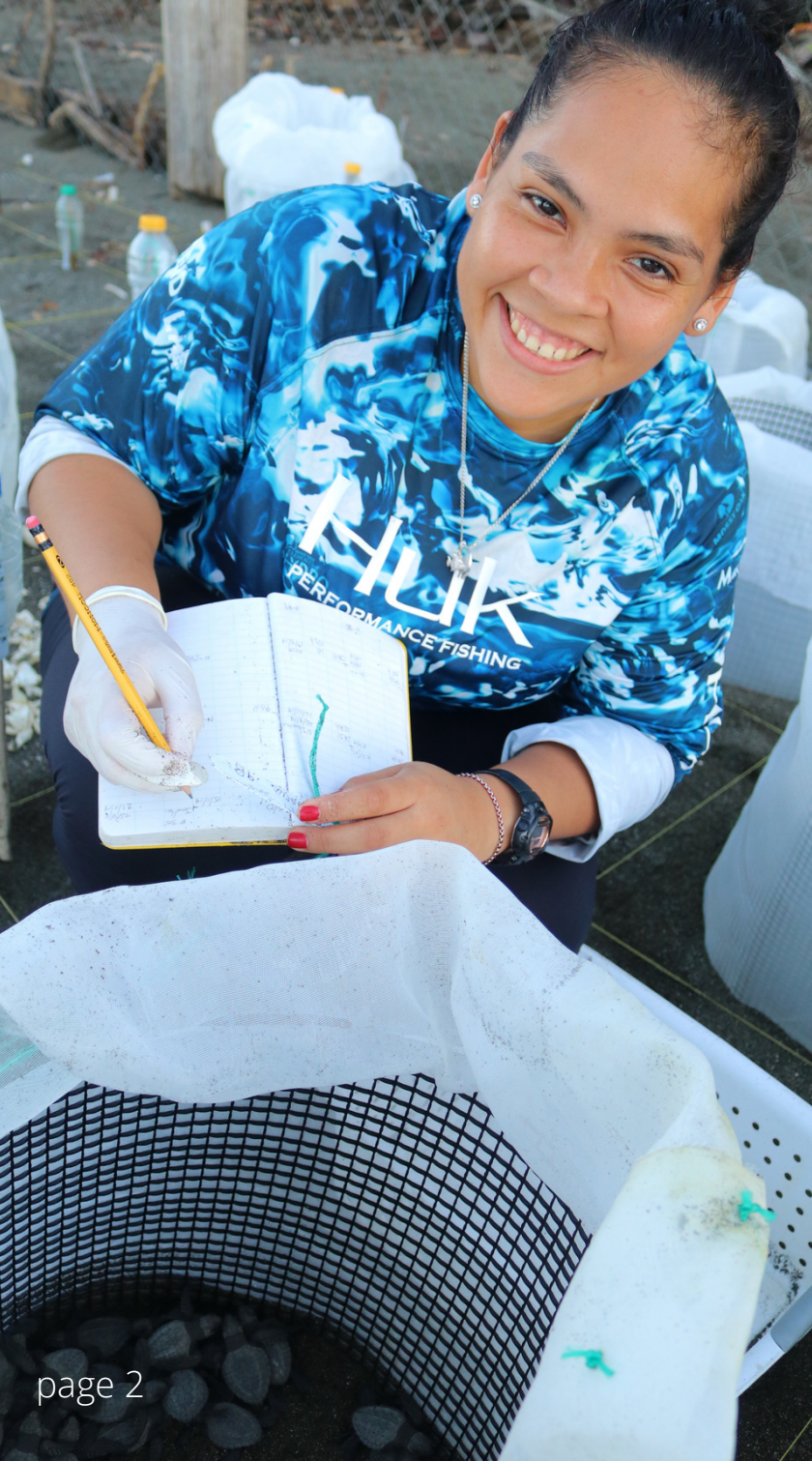
EDUCATION

Guests participate at the conservation center with biologists to learn all about Sea Turtles, release hatchlings, patrol beaches for nesting females, as well as observe how scientific data is collected and recorded.

We typically see Hawksbill, Olive Ridley, and Green Sea Turtles.

It's also time for the great Humpback Whales to migrate here for calving. On a day out at Sea, we will have an opportunity to witness and learn about these beautiful animals.

Guests participate in daily beach bio diversity walks with an environmental educator to learn about the local environment and conservation efforts.





CULTURE

We have curated several rich cultural experiences with local people to share an authentic way of Panamanian life with our guests.

Observe the art of making sandals. Cook an authentic dish and learn how honey is made. Giggle through dancing classes to create life long memories and prepare for a fun farewell night celebration.



ADV ENT URE

Explore the Mountains, the Ocean and the rivers in between to get a true taste of adventure and the diverse nature of Panama. Hiking, snorkeling, and waterfall jumping are a true test of our guests physical abilities.

2024 8 Day Trip dates are:
August 30th - September 6th

Pricing is based on double occupancy. We have 6 rooms and can accommodate up to 18 guests.

Price is \$2,436 pp

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2024 TURTLE TRIPS



Daily Itinerary

Day 1

Guests arrive in Panama City at Tocumen International Airport where they will meet a shuttle for transport to Panama City Hotel for the night

Day 2

Guests will be picked up at 9am for transport from Panama City Hotel to Morrillo Beach Eco Resort with an arrival time of 3pm. After check-in, we will have an orientation night dinner with the marine biologists and environmental educators. This is a great opportunity to meet and get to know our guides for the week as well as achieve an understanding of our area, and what the exciting week will bring.

Day 3

Guests depart at 6:30 am for the turtle center to release newly hatched baby turtles. Of course, it's up to the babies if they will surface but if not, the day will move into breakfast, educational sessions, a beach bio-diversity and clean-up walk. Lunch will be served at the resort followed by a waterfall hike from 1-4pm. We will see up to 6 different waterfalls, as we travel through thick jungle and all the biodiversity that surrounds. Dinner will be served at 6pm. Depending on the tides, we head out for night patrol looking for nesting females to collect and protect those precious eggs.

Day 4

Guests depart at 6:30 am for the turtle center to release newly hatched baby turtles. Of course, it's up to the babies if they will surface but if not, the day will move into breakfast, educational sessions, a folk dance class, followed by a delicious cooking class to fill those growling bellies. After a tasty lunch, we all go back to the resort for some beach time or nap time. Kayak through the mangroves, surf, swim, or simply a leisurely walk on the beach. Dinner will be served at 6pm. Depending on the tides, we head out for night patrol looking for nesting females to collect and protect those precious eggs.

Day 5

Depart at 8am for a day of exploring the sea by boat and snorkel. It's humpback whale migrating season so we will go in search of whales then to spend the day snorkeling a beach access reef for the day. This is a great place for all ages and abilities to snorkel. Being shallow with easy access from the beach makes it ideal for children just learning for the first time. Return to the resort by 4pm for dinner to be served at 6pm.

Day 6

Guests depart at 6:30 am for the turtle center to release newly hatched baby turtles. Of course, it's up to the babies if they will surface but if not, the day will move into breakfast, educational sessions, a Panama sandal making class, followed by delicious lunch to fill those growling bellies and then we walk to local home to participate in traditional way of making honey. Return to the resort by 4pm for dinner to be served at 6pm. Depending on the tides, we head out for night patrol looking for nesting females to collect and protect those precious eggs.

Day 7

Depart the resort at 8am for arrival to the Panama Canal for a tour from approx. 2-4pm. Guests will then be shuttled to their hotels for the evening.

Day 8

Departures for the airport provided for guest return flights home full of great memories and inspired souls.

Turtle Trip Policies

Reservation Policy

The reservation must be paid in full at the time of booking. Payments accepted* are via credit card (visa and Master Card), bank transfer, Chase QuickPay, Western Union, and PayPal. Any credit card, wire and/or transfer fees will be added to your bill at check out. 100% of the reservation will be refunded if the reservation is cancelled 60+ days prior to arrival date at check in time of 2pm. Within 60 days of arrival, no refund will be granted. Deposit will be refunded within a week of the check-out date. All rooms and terraces are non smoking as per the National Law #12 of Jan 24th, 2008. There is a designated smoking area we will show you if required.

Cancellation Policy

For a 100% refund, the reservation must be cancelled 60 days prior to the check in date at the check in time of 2pm. Within 60 days, no refund will be granted. PayPal email: cari@morrillobeachresort.com with business name: Morrillo Beach Eco Resort Chase Quickpay with Zelle: cari@morrillobeachresort.com
We require a minimum of 8 guests for the trips. If our minimum trip participant is not met, we will cancel the trip 60 days prior to the reservation date and refund 100% of the amount paid to us.

Children

Children are encouraged to be a part of this incredible learning experience. Recommended minimum age is 10 y/o, must know how to swim.

Release Forms

We will provide a release form at time of check-in to cover the duration of guest stay.

Travel Insurance

This is extremely highly recommended. Provider is guest choice however, on the travel page of our website is a link to our suggested provider that is globally recognized. <https://www.morrillobeachresort.com/travel>

Packing List

For a list of what to bring, please see our website packing list: <https://www.morrillobeachresort.com/travel>
Addiionally, it is required to have a headlamp with red light, soft shoes like Crocs or water shoes, dark clothing for night patrols

Trip Inclusions

Pick-up and Drop-off at Tocumen, Int'l Airport Round-trip, transportation from Panama City Hotel to our resort. 2 nights stay in the city: 1 arrival and 1 departure night, 5 night stay in our comfortable Eco Resort, Meals Included: breakfast, lunch, and dinner at our resort or at the Conservation Foundation. Our meals are fresh, delicious, local, and plentiful. You will not go hungry. Non-Alcoholic drinks included. Daily Sea Turtle Programs: hatchling releases, education, Bio-Diversity walk, night patrols, marine biologist research observations. Cultural Activities: Dance class, cooking class, honey making experience, Panama sandal making. Adventure activities: Waterfall hike, Whale watching / snorkeling trip. Unlimited use of surf boards, standup paddle boards, and kayaks. Panama Canal Tour.

Trip Exclusions

International airfare, Alcoholic beverages, Tips for drivers and guides. We will suggest a gratuity at check-out. Meals in Panama City, Anything not shown in the itinerary.

More Travel and Safety Information

Please see our website Travel page for loads of information on location, safety, insurance, health, and more. If you have any questions, we are always standing by to assist in any way we can.

Guides at the FUNDAT Conservation Center



Jacinto Rodríguez – Director of the Foundation of Water and Land - FUNDAT since 2008. Jacinto has the following education certificates: Agricultural Engineer, with Post Graduate in Marine Resources, Higher Teaching, Master's Degree in Marine and Coastal Resource Management



Diego Ábrego Miranda: Studied to become an environmental educator and been in that role at FUNDAT since 2011.



Leia Gonzalez Memije – Received her Marine Biologist degree from the UMIP in 2012. She is the primary biologist at FUNDAT.

