

# Beyond Cebu City Tours

## Overview

The Province of Cebu consists of Cebu Island and 167 smaller surrounding islands and islets providing a wide variety of activities including island hopping tours and beautiful sightseeing with fascinating biodiversity on land and underwater.

Cebu's reputation as one of the country's top tourist destinations is due to its all year round warm climate and easy accessibility both internationally and domestically. The City of Cebu is the oldest in the Philippines with many landmarks attesting to its rich and varied history and cultural influences (refer to our [Cebu City Tours](#) for details).

Beyond the confines of the province's capital, Cebu Island is rich in natural beauty and resources. The surrounding islands boast some of the Philippines' oldest and most treasured traditions, buildings, festivals, and pristine beaches as well as numerous marine sanctuaries.

## Island Swing (Full Day)

### Tour Details

- Highlights: Island hopping, wildlife and marine sanctuary
- Picnic Lunch on Nalusuan Island
- Pick Up Time: 07:00 from hotels located within Mactan/Cebu City;  
Tour Duration: 7-8 Hours
- Private Tour
- Inclusions: Roundtrip Transfers, Entrance Fees, Boat Ride, Lunch, Snorkelling equipment

Your island hopping adventure begins when our guide escorts you to where you will board a motorised outrigger Banca for the 20-30 minute boat ride to the Olango Island group.



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Situated in blue waters just 5 kilometres east of Mactan Island, the group comprises Olango Island and 6 satellite islets surrounded by continuous fringing reefs and shallow reef flats covering a total area of approximately 10 km<sup>2</sup>. Collectively featuring sandy beaches, rocky shores, mangrove forests, mudflats, coral reefs and seagrass beds, the waters surrounding the islands are rich in marine life, while Olango Island is a bird sanctuary recognised as hosting the largest concentration of migratory birds in the Philippines. During the day you will have the opportunity to swim and snorkel as well as enjoying lunch on Nalusuan Island. Before returning to the mainland, make a brief stop on another island to witness firsthand the simple lifestyle of fisher folk.

**Prices from:**

1 pax: on request

2 pax: 151 USD per person

3-5 pax: 127 USD per person

6 pax: 113 USD per person

## Bojo River Cruise (Full Day)

### Tour Details

- Highlights: Eco-cultural river cruise
- Pick Up Time: 08:00 from hotels within Mactan/Cebu City;
- Tour Duration: 7 Hours
- Private Tour
- Inclusions: Roundtrip Transfers, Entrance Fees, Lunch

This tour gives you the opportunity to experience a unique eco-cultural cruise along the 1.4 kilometre, mangrove lined Bojo River while learning about the local communities, fauna and aquatic life that the river and surrounding forest sustains.



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Flowing from the Tanon Strait into the Municipality of Alogunisan in the midwest part of Cebu Island, the Bojo River is home to 22 species of mangroves and around 71 species of birds, some of which are migratory.

The cruise guides and boatmen are local fishermen who will enchant you with their folklore and stories of mythical beings coexisting in the river, as well as providing informative facts about the river's wildlife, the relationship the locals have with it, and the importance of the area's ecotourism initiative.

At the end of the cruise, lunch will be provided by a local community where you will also have the opportunity to purchase handmade souvenirs before returning to Cebu.

**Prices from:**

1 pax: 417 USD

2 pax: 213 USD per person

3 or more: 226 USD per person

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## Mantayupan Falls and Moalboal (Full Day)

### Tour Details

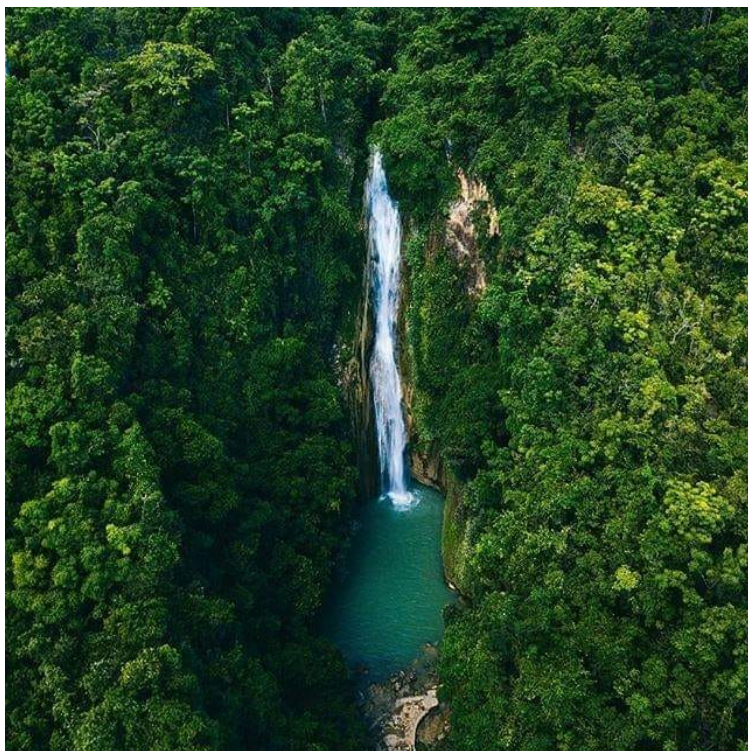
- Highlights: Mantayupan Falls Tour; Moalboal Island Hopping: Turtle Point, Pescador Island, Sardine Run;
- Pick Up Time: 04:30 - 05:00 from hotels located within Mactan/Cebu City;
- Tour Duration: 9-10 Hours
- Private Tour
- Inclusions: Roundtrip Transfers, Entrance Fees, Lunch, Snorkelling equipment

Leave the city early in the morning for the 2 ½ hour drive to the town of Barili for your first stop of the tour. A few kilometres outside of town is the 98-metre Mantayupan Falls. Known locally as 'Ambakan', and surrounded by lush vegetation, Mantayupan Falls is the highest waterfall in Cebu.

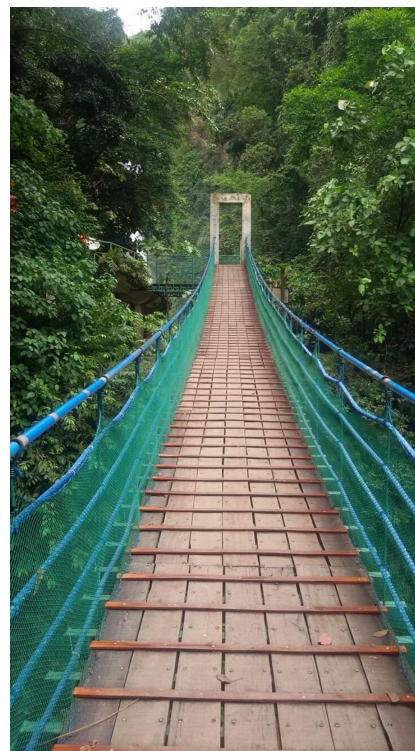
Considered as the 'Crown Jewel of Barili', the falls are an important and environmentally protected resource providing irrigation to the surrounding paddy fields as well as being a mini hydro-power plant which supplies hydro-electric power to the local community.

The falls comprise two waterfalls which cascade down tall mountain cliffs through verdant jungle; the lowest and smallest of the two is a 14 metre cascade flowing into a picturesque circular rock pool. From here a well constructed swing bridge and stone lined path lead the way to the impressive 98 metre waterfall.





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An hour's drive south of Barili is the small coastal town of Moalboal. The area around Moalboal is famous for the sardine run and its beautiful marine biodiversity. Get ready to swim with millions of sardines close to Moalboal's Panagsama Beach. Within the same vicinity, Turtle Point is a great place for snorkelling and observing turtles swimming gracefully amongst the shallow corals.

A short boat ride from Panagsama Beach takes you to Pescador Island where colourful coral gardens teeming with a variety of fish slope gently from 5-10 metres along the top of a dramatic wall which drops off almost vertically to around 40 metres. If you're lucky, you may even get to see dolphins.

Lunch at a local restaurant in Moalboal before the journey back to Cebu.

**Prices from:**

1 pax: 481 USD

2 pax: 261 USD per person

3 or more: 354 USD per person

For more information, or to book a tour, please contact our reservations team at: [dive@masterliveaboards.com](mailto:dive@masterliveaboards.com)