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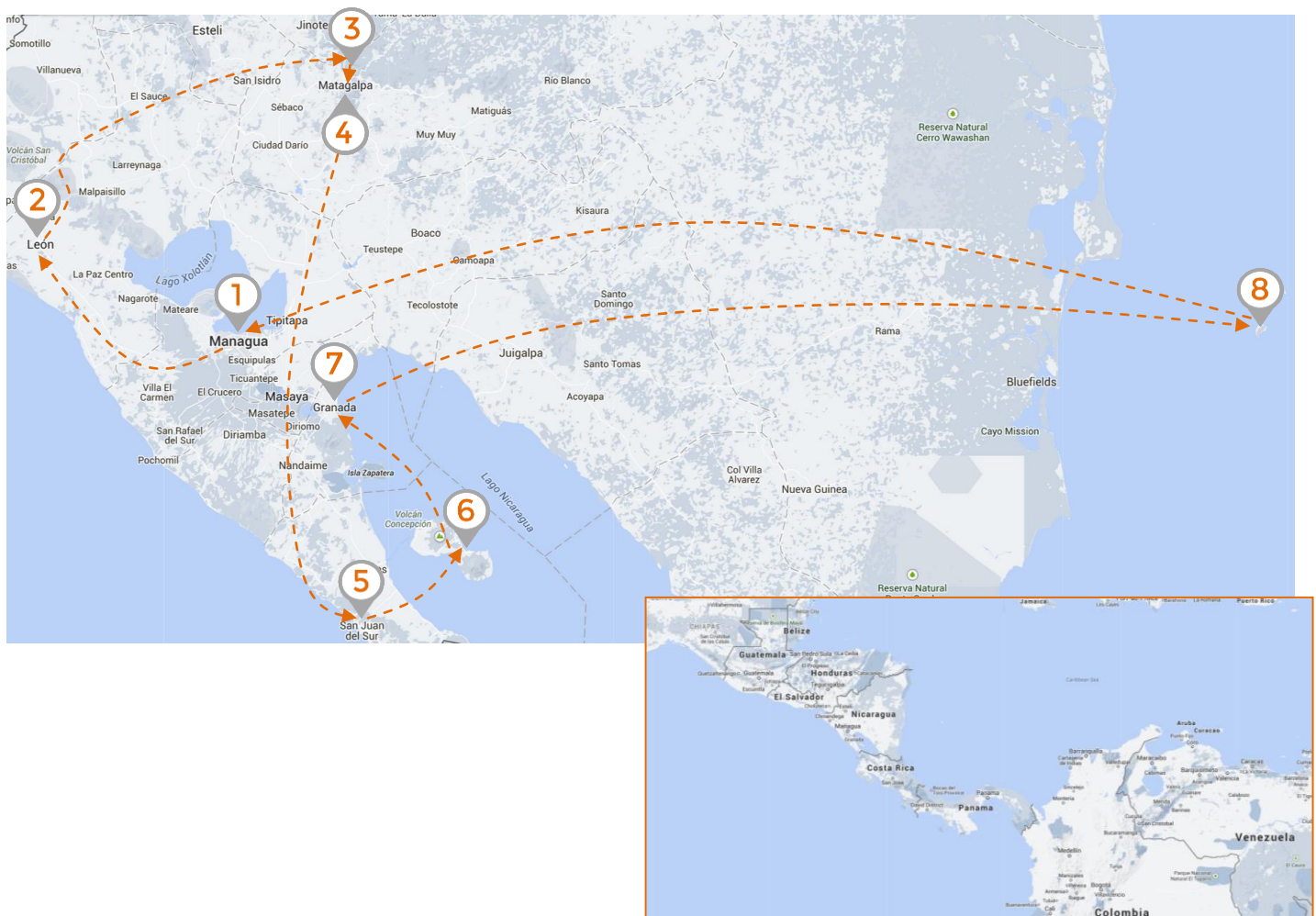


Classic Nicaragua

16-days / 15-nights

Itinerary Summary

No.	Date	Location	Details	Meals	Hotel	Nts
1	Day 01	MANAGUA	Arrive in Managua	-	Hotel Europeo	1
2	Day 02	LEÓN	Managua city tour followed by a transfer to León	B	Hotel Austria	2
	Day 03		Morning walking tour of the city & afternoon visit	B		
3	Day 04	SELVA NEGRA	Transfer to Selva Negra	B	Selva Negra Lodge	1
4	Day 05	GOLDEN TRIANGLE	Transfer to Golden Triangle	B	Finca La Cumpilda	1
5	Day 06	SAN JUAN DEL SUR	Time at leisure, transfer to Pacific Coast	B	Hotel Casa Blanca	1
6	Day 07	PLAYA SANTO DOMINGO	Transfer to Playa Santo Domingo, excursion en-route	B	Hotel Villa Paraiso	2
	Day 08		Day at leisure	B		
7	Day 09	GRANADA	Transfer to Granada, excursion en-route	B	Patio del Malinche	3
	Day 10		City Tour and excursion to Laguna de Apoyo	B		
	Day 11		Full day excursion to Masaya Volcano National Park	B		
8	Day 12	CORN ISLANDS	Air & road transfer to Corn Islands	B	Arenas Beach	2
	Day 13		Day at leisure	B		
1	Day 14	MANAGUA	Air & road transfer to Managua	B	Camio Real	1
	Day 15	DEPART	Meet the return flights to the UK	B	-	
	Day 16	HEATHROW	Arrive back in the UK	-	-	



Detailed Itinerary



Day 01 DEPART - MANAGUA

Depart Heathrow flying with United Airlines.



UA984 Economy Dep: Heathrow 11:40
UA1421 Economy Dep: Houston George Bush 18:10

Arr: Houston George Bush 16:25
Arr: Managua 20:37

Private transfer on arrival to your hotel.

Hotel Europeo



1 x Standard Room on a Room Only basis for 1-nights

This spacious, friendly hotel accommodates up to 70 guests, divided into twin rooms and triples. From the hotel, travelers may visit all the historical attractions and monuments of this colonial city, and is a good base for exploring the region.



Day 02 MANAGUA - LEÓN VIEJO - LEÓN



Managua city tour followed by a transfer to León

After breakfast and a briefing visit the most important monuments of the capital. Following this drive to the former capital, León. Along the way, enjoy impressive views of the Momotombo volcano. Make a stop in León Viejo and learn about the turbulent colonial times in Nicaragua.



Day 02 MANAGUA - LEÓN VIEJO - LEÓN ...

Hotel Austria



1 x Standard Room on a Half Board basis for 2-nights

Only a block from the center of the beautiful colonial city of León, Hotel Austria offers 35 comfortable rooms (Juniorsuite, Minisuite or Family rooms, Standard rooms). The hotel also offers a restaurant with roof terrace.



Day 03 LEÓN



Morning walking tour of the city

Today get to know this charming city. Walking through the colonial streets of the city, visit its principal monuments such as the Cathedral, the Legends and Traditions museum and the Museum of Rubén Darío.

Afternoon excursion to Las Peñitas

Around midday take a boat trip to the town of Las Peñitas. Here you will enjoy a delicious meal in front of the ocean. Before returning to Leon you can enjoy the beautiful sunset ,if weather permits.

Depart to the cool region of the central mountain area of Nicaragua, along the way you will stop at the rural village of San Jacinto. Here visit the steaming boiling mud holes and observe the strong volcanic activity of the region. After passing through the town of Matagalpa, you will reach the famous lodge of Selva Negra. In the afternoon, you will enjoy a walk through a mixed tropical forest.



Day 04 LEÓN - SAN JACINTO - MATAGALPA - SELVA NEGRA ...

Selva Negra Lodge



1 x Standard Room on a Half Board basis for 1-night

Selva Negra is a sustainable coffee plantation that welcomes tourists. From the food on the table in the lakeside restaurant to the electricity in the quaint half-timbered cabins, everything needed to run this little kingdom is produced at Selva Negra. Located in the highlands of central Nicaragua, there are fourteen trails, six of which are designed for horses, making this beautiful and pristine cloud forest easy to explore. Accommodation comprises of a selection of hotel rooms, bungalows and chalets. Selva Negra offers restaurant services at the lodge which is within easy reach to all the bungalows and chalets. It is located on one of the resort's small lakes and offers a large deck with a wonderful view of both the mountain and the lake. At the restaurant, you may choose from a variety of both local and international foods, including authentic German cuisine. Full bar services are also available. You may sit and enjoy a stein full of beer while sitting in the marvellous hand carved wooden bar.



Day 05 SELVA NEGRA - FINCA LA CUMPLIDA



By 4x4, a farmer will pick you up for a ride through the mountain region of the "golden triangle" of coffee. At La Cumplida, you will learn about coffee, as well as about ferns, reforestation, basic crops and rural life in a Nicaraguan Finca.



Owners Finca

1 x Room on a Half Board basis for 1-night



Day 06 FINCA LA CUMPLIDA - SAN JUAN DEL SUR



Time at leisure before departing for the Pacific Coast and your next destination; the beach town of San Juan del Sur. Here enjoy a short tour of the city, observing the daily life of the locals, as well as enjoy a fresh swim in the Pacific Ocean.

Hotel Casa Blanca



1 x Standard Room on a Full Board basis for 1-night

Casa Blanca is a modern two-story house, located on the beautiful beach of San Juan del Sur. Enchanting sunsets and walks on the beach await you, while just a short walk down the beach brings you to restaurants, shopping and nightlife.



Day 07 SAN JUAN DEL SUR - OMETEPE ISLAND - PLAYA SANTO DOMINGO





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Full day transfer and excursion to Ometepe Island and Playa Santo Domingo

In the morning take a road transfer to the little town of San Jorge to catch the ferry to reach Ometepe Island. Stopping at the natural site of Charco Verde, you can enjoy a walk along the trails and learn about the flora and fauna of the island and the legend of Chico Largo. Afterwards continue your road transfer to Playa Santo Domingo, passing through traditional rural villages before reaching Playa Santo Domingo. The rest of the afternoon is free time, enjoy a swim, relax or walk along the beach.

Hotel Villa Paraiso



1 x Standard Room on a Half Board basis for 2-nights

Villa Paraíso Hotel is located right on the beautiful Santo Domingo beach. The hotel has private cabins distributed among natural vegetation and overlooking the beach or close to it. The hotel also offers a wide and international menu at the La Mariscada Restaurant including delicious and unique Nicaraguan traditional dishes, as well as the house specialty: Pacific Seafood and Lake Nicaragua fish. The great view of Lake Cocibolca invites you to relax in a beautiful and peaceful environment. From the bar, you can enjoy the best international cocktails and the famous national cocktail, the Macua.



Day 08 PLAYA SANTO DOMINGO

Today there are a variety of options, for the more active you can hike to the Maderas' volcanic crater lake, or for a moderate walkers, you can stay at the base and explore the surroundings and ancient petroglyphs at Finca Santa Magdalena.



Day 09 OMETEPE ISLAND - GRANADA

Depart from Playa Santo Domingo and take the ferry to the mainland. In San Jorge your driver will pick you up and take you to the colonial city of Granada. In the afternoon enjoy a boat tour to the romantic and tropical Las Isletas.

Hotel Patio del Malinche



1 x Standard Room on a Full Board basis for 3-nights

El Patio del Malinche is only a few blocks from Granada's central park, making it possible to easily reach the interesting sites in town. It offers 16 rooms with direct access to the terrace, garden and swimming pool. The second floor offers a spectacular view of the Mombacho volcano, guardian of the town.



Day 10 GRANADA



City Tour and excursion to Laguna de Apoyo

After breakfast visit the Casa de los Leones, San Francisco Convent and its Museum, with its vast exposition of pre-Columbian statutes and pottery, the colourful market, the charming cobblestone streets, and numerous architecturally significant churches and monuments. Then meet a shared road transfer to the crater Lake Laguna de Apoyo to enjoy lunch. The rest of the day will be free to swim. Return to Granada.



Day 11 GRANADA

Full day excursion to Masaya Volcano National Park, & Catarina & San Juan de Oriente

Start your day with an excursion to the National Park Masaya Volcano, where you can take a look at the imposing Crater Santiago. Then, visit a colourful local arts & crafts market in Masaya. Here, you have the opportunity to buy inexpensive Nicaraguan souvenirs. Your lunch will be taken in a typical restaurant in Masaya. On the way back to Granada, stop at Catarina, which has a tremendous view of the Laguna de Apoyo and San Juan de Oriente famous for its pottery.



Day 12 GRANADA - CORN ISLANDS

Transfer to the airport for a flight to Bluefields.



TBA Economy Dep: Granada TBA Arr: Bluefields TBA

Free time exploring Bluefields. In the afternoon take an onward flight to Corn Island.



TBA Economy Dep: Bluefields TBA Arr: Corn Islands TBA

Private transfer on arrival to your hotel.



Day 12 GRANADA - CORN ISLANDS

Hotel Arenas Beach



1 x Standard Room on a Full Board basis for 2-nights

Arenas Beach Hotel is located right next to a stunning beach front on the island. The hotel features a main hotel building with restaurant surrounded by private bungalows, ideal for families or groups. Captain's Club Boat Bar is right on the most beautiful beach on Corn Island. Arenas Beach Hotel offers two different types of accommodations; 11 elegant and spacious Comfort Rooms each with a private balcony and 20 rustic and charming Bungalows equipped with a terrace and hammock.



Day 13 CORN ISLANDS



Day at leisure, why not try swimming in the turquoise waters of the Caribbean, biking around the island, snorkelling on the beautiful reef, enjoying delicious seafood or just being lazy and lying in a hammock.



Day 14 CORN ISLAND - MANAGUA

Morning at leisure enjoying the island

In the afternoon meet a transfer to the airport for a return flight to Managua.



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Economy

Dep: Corn Islands TBA

Arr: Managua TBA

Private transfer on arrival to your hotel.



Day 14 CORN ISLAND - MANAGUA ...

Hotel Camio Real



1 x Standard Room on a Bed & Breakfast basis for 1-night

Just a 3-minute drive from Managua International Airport, the Camino Real Managua offers free airport transfers, an outdoor pool and casino. The hotel's spa includes a gym, steam bath and sauna. Decorated in a bright functional style, rooms at the Camino Real offer free Wi-Fi and cable TV. The Casa Blanca restaurant serves international and Mediterranean cuisine. You can enjoy meals and drinks at the Las Palmeras poolside snack bar, which also offers Sunday barbecues. Camino Real Managua is located next to the Pan American Highway, a 10-minute drive from central Managua. Free private parking is available on site, and car hire can be arranged at the 24-hour reception.



Day 15 MANAGUA - HOUSTON

After breakfast meet a shuttle transfer to the airport and your return flights with United Airlines.



UA1423	Economy	Dep: Managua 07:15	Arr: Houston George Bush 11:45
UA921	Economy	Dep: Houston George Bush 15:20	Arr: Heathrow 06:55 (Day 16)



Day 16 HOUSTON - UK

Arrive back in the UK.



Holiday Cost

from £2,595.00 per person

20% deposit is required to secure this booking

Suggested Itinerary

- This is just a suggested itinerary which we can amend to fit your exact requirements.

Includes

- International flights as listed.
- All pre-payable airport departure taxes.
- Hotel accommodation as listed.
- Transfers as listed (on a shared basis unless specified as private).
- Meals as listed.
- Excursions as listed (on a shared basis unless specified as private).

Excludes

- Local departure taxes where applicable.
- Tips and gratuities.
- Any future currency surcharges.
- Any future airline fare, tax or fuel surcharges.*

**In the event of airfare /tax increases you will have the option to pay for your airfare in advance to avoid these increases.*

Please Note

- The cost of this itinerary is based on 2 passengers sharing one room.
- All flights, accommodation and services are subject to availability at the time of booking.
- Air fares, taxes, schedules and routings are subject to change until ticket issue.

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