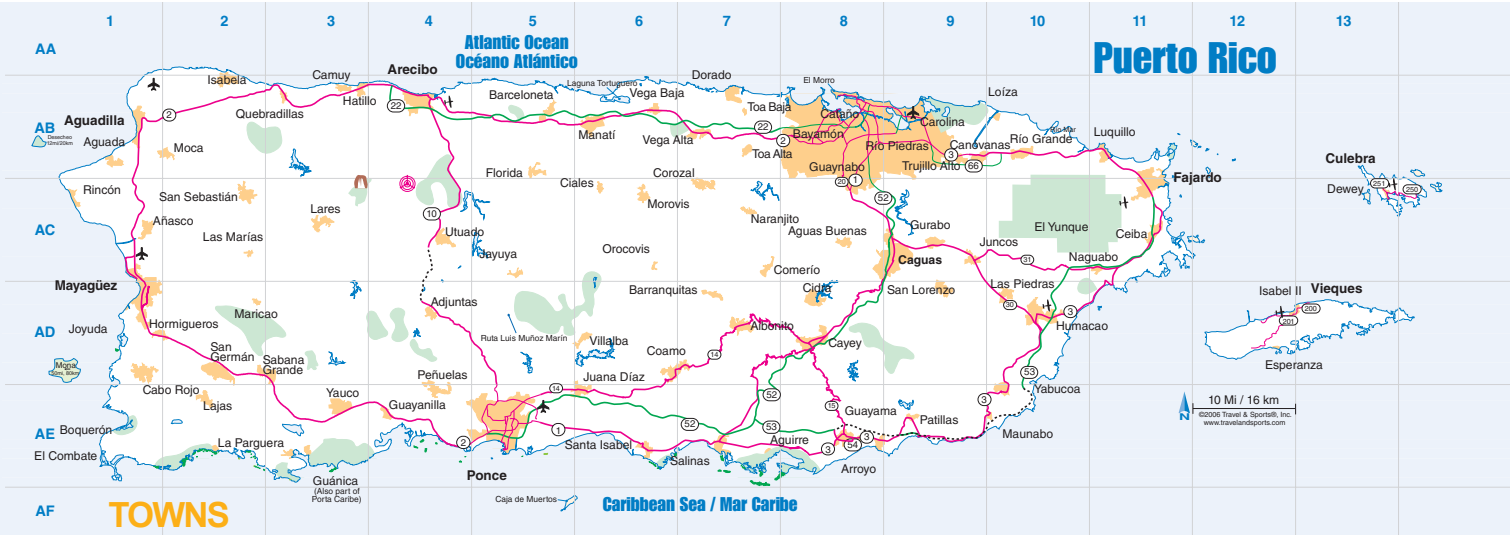




Welcome to
PUERTO RICO

Events



Adjuntas	AD/4	Canóvanas	AB/9	Florida	AB/5	La Parguera	AE/2	Naguabo	AC/11	San Lorenzo	AD/9
Aguada	AB/1	Carolina	AB/9	Guánica	AE/3	Lajas	AE/2	Naranjito	AC/7	San Sebastián	AC/2
Aguadilla	AB/1	Cataño	AB/8	Guayama	AE/8	Las Marías	AC/3	Ocean Park	BC/11	Santa Isabel	AE/6
Aguas Buenas	AC/8	Cayey	AD/8	Guayama	AE/4	Las Piedras	AC/2	Orocovis	AC/6	Santurce	BE/9
Aibonito	AD/7	Ceiba	AC/11	Guaynabo	AB/8	Loiza	AD/10	Patillas	AE/9	Toa Alta	AB/7
Añasco	AC/1	Cidra	AC/6	Guarabo	AC/9	Luquillo	AB/10	Peñuelas	AE/4	Toa Baja	AB/7
Arecibo	AB/4	Coamo	AD/8	Hatillo	AB/3	Manatí	AB/11	Ponce	AE/5	Trujillo Alto	AB/9
Arroyo	AE/8	Comerio	AD/7	Hormigueros	AD/1	Maricao	AB/6	Quebradillas	AE/3	Utuado	AC/4
Barceloneta	AB/5	Humacao	AD/10	Humacao	AD/10	Maricao	AD/2	Rincón	AC/1	Vega Alta	AB/7
Barranquitas	AD/7	Condado	AA/2	Isabela	BC/14	Maunabo	AE/10	Rio Grande	AB/10	Vega Baja	AB/6
Bayamón	AB/8	Corozal	BA/7	Isla Verde	AC/5	Mayagüez	AD/1	Sabana Grande	AD/3	Viejo San Juan	CA/1
Boquerón	AE/1	Culebra	AC/13	Jayuya	AC/5	Miramar	BC/6	Salinas	AE/7	Vieques	AD/13
Cabo Rojo	AD/1	Dorado	AB/7	Joyuda	AD/1	Moca	AB/2	San Germán	AD/2	Villaalba	AD/6
Caguas	AC/9	El Combate	AE/1	Juana Díaz	AE/6	Mona	AD/1	San Juan	AB/8	Yabucoa	AE/10
Camuy	AB/3	Fajardo	AC/11	Juncos	AC/9	Morovis	AC/6	San Juan Metro	AB/8	Yauco	AE/3

QUICK FACTS

Information

Banking and Currency

Puerto Rico is a Commonwealth of the US and uses the US dollar. Most major US banks have branches here. Banking hours are 8:30-2:30 (though some have extended hours). Credit cards & travelers checks are widely accepted. Automatic teller machines are easy to find.

Electricity

A modern electrical grid following US standards: 110 volt AC.

Emergencies: Dial 911

Events

Puerto Rico has a long history of cultural events built around the Patron Saint Festival in each municipality. In addition, a number of world-class events as well as local celebrations are held throughout the year.

Ferry Service

Ferries run between Old San Juan and Cataño, Cataño and Hato Rey, Fajardo and Culebra, Fajardo and Vieques, Vieques and Culebra. Check the area directories for the schedules.

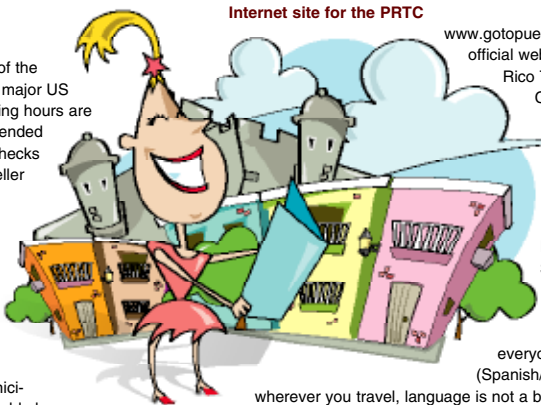
Immigration

There are no passports or visas required for US citizens. For citizens of other countries, call your local US Embassy to determine entry requirements.

Information Centers & Brochures

800-866-7827

Call toll free for bilingual information and free brochures. Check this planner or the website for the list of the PRTC offices world-wide. Daily 8am-midnight.



Internet site for the PRTC

www.gotopuertorico.com is the official website of the Puerto Rico Tourism Company.

Check for special offers and more information on Puerto Rico.

Languages: Spanish & English

Puerto Rico is a Spanish-speaking country. In the major tourist areas most everyone is bilingual (Spanish/English). However, wherever you travel, language is not a barrier.

Population

The population of Puerto Rico is 3.5 million with 1.4 million living in the San Juan Metropolitan Area.

Puerto Rico Tourism Company

787-721-2400

The Puerto Rico Tourism Company (PRTC) is the official government agency responsible for promoting travel and tourism to Puerto Rico.

Special-Needs Travelers

All the hotels have facilities for travelers with special needs. Some operators, such as tour operators, offer unique services for the special-needs traveler (which are part of their description). The Sea Without Barriers area of Luquillo Beach is designed for use by those with special needs and seniors.

Taxes and Tipping

A hotel tax is added to your bill. The tax for hotels with casinos: 11%. Paradores: 7%, all other accommodations: 9%. The standard tip is 15%. Sales Tax purchases 7%.

Telephone Service (Area 787 & 939)

A modern, reliable US-style telephone service. Numbers with area code 800, 888, 877 or 866 are toll free from Puerto Rico or the US. Most hotel systems are compatible with dial-up modems. Some properties have high-speed Internet connections. Puerto Rico has area codes: 787 and 939. To call outside San Juan Metro from the metro area, dial 1, the area code and then the number.

Time of Day

787-728-9595

Atlantic Standard Time (AST): the same as Eastern Standard Time (EST) +1 hour. Daylight savings time is not observed. May to October: AST = EST, November to April: AST = EST+1.

Tours and Trolleys

Quite often, you will be able to arrange a free tour of local attractions and sights through the mayor's office or tourism office of the local municipality. This is particularly true of the smaller communities on the Island. You will also find that a number of the municipalities offer a trolley service (either scheduled or by appointment) that will take you by all the local attractions and sights. If you want to get the inside story from locals, this is a good place to start.

Weather

787-253-4586

Puerto Rico enjoys an average temperature of 82°F (28°C) from November to May. The average beach temperatures are 80°F in summer and 76°F in the winter. The mountains tend to be 20° colder in the winter. Call this number for current weather report.

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Events

Surfing Season 787-823-5024
1/01/07 - 12/31/07

Most of the contests are held in the peak season: Oct-Apr; but there are always some boards on the water by the lighthouse. Rincón (AC/1)

Noches de Nostalgia y Bohemia 787-787-8620
1/01/07 - 12/31/07

Music concerts, artisans exhibits, paintings, antique cars and children's programs. Held on the last Friday of every month. Call to confirm the current schedule. Degetau St, Bayamón (AB/8)

Noches de Bohemia 787-757-4011
1/01/07 - 12/31/07

This music festival includes local poems, folk music, romantic and Latin American music. Julia de Burgos Park, Roberto Clemente Ave, Carolina (AB/9)

Children's Theatre 787-721-2400
1/01/07 - 12/31/07

Kids will enjoy clowns, puppets, games and music, among other fun activities. Paseo de la Princesa, San Juan: Viejo San Juan (BA/1)

Discover the Nature of Old San Juan
787-722-5882

1/01/07 - 12/31/07
A guided walk through the streets of Old San Juan to learn about the diverse components of this historic city's ecology and discover how the varied ecology impacted the city's development. Fridays and Saturdays at 9am. Reservations required. Casa Ramón Power y Giralt, 155 Tetuán St, San Juan: Viejo San Juan (BA/1)

Exhibición Sala Miguel Domenech 787-721-2400
1/01/07 - 12/31/07

The rotating art exhibit at La Princesa, headquarters of the PRTC. Puerto Rico Images in Art. A collection by about 25 artists. La Princesa, Paseo La Princesa, San Juan: Viejo San Juan (BA/1)

La Casita Festival 787-721-2400
1/01/07 - 12/31/07

Prominent Puerto Rican musicians, dance groups, painters and artisans perform and display their works. Plaza de la Dársena, adjacent to Pier 1, San Juan: Viejo San Juan (BA/1)

Puerto Rican Music Festival 787-724-1844
1/01/07 - 12/31/07

Classical and folk music festivals held throughout the year at different locations around the Island. Instituto de Cultura Puertorriqueña, 98 Norzagaray St, San Juan: Viejo San Juan (BA/1)

Romantic Sunsets - Every Sunday 787-721-2400
1/01/07 - 12/31/07

Every Sunday people gather together at the Paseo de la Princesa to enjoy a romantic evening and live music. Great melodies by local tríos in a lovely colonial setting makes for romantic sunsets. San Juan: Viejo San Juan (BA/1)

Agricultural Bazaar 787-896-1550
1/01/07 - 12/31/07

Held every Friday at the Agropecuaria Plaza, Emérito Estrada St. Rt 111 Km 20.5, San Sebastián (AC/2)

Museo de Arte de Puerto Rico Special Events
787-977-6277

1/31/07 - 4/22/07
"Anthology of Puerto Rico" by Basquiat; Jan. "Art Beyond Sight." To be followed by an exhibit of art by Mari Mater O'Neil (Feb 6-Apr.22). San Juan: Santurce (BE/9)

Masks Festival 787-262-2093
12/28/06 - 12/28/07

Celebrated since the Spaniards founded Hatillo in 1823. It represents the biblical story of King Herod ordering the death of all infant boys, attempting to kill baby Jesus. Men with colorful masks and costumes represent the soldiers, who run or ride through the town from early morning looking for the children. Food, crafts and music. Plaza de Recreo José Ramón Millán, Hatillo (AB/3)

Noche de Jazz y Galeria 787-757-4011
2/24/07 - 12/31/07

The event features musical performances by locally and internationally known jazz musicians. Held the last Friday of Feb., Apr., Jazz Festival Aug., Oct. Plaza de Recreo San Fernando, Carolina (AB/9)

Condado Culinary Fest 787-603-1880
3/01/07 - 3/31/07

During the month, restaurants along Ashford Ave. in Condado offer different specials and pricing also with promotions for wines and spirits. Live music will be available along the way.. Ashford Ave, San Juan: Condado (BA/7)

Turtle-Watching Season 787-742-1033
3/01/07 - 5/31/07

During the turtle season you can arrange with private tour operators to observe the turtles as they come ashore to lay eggs. Culebra (AC/13)

Puerto Rican Equestrian Art School 787-858-1378
3/02/07 - 12/07/07

Enjoy the beauty of a Puertorican Hacienda and the exquisite performance of the Puertorican Equestrian Art School. A superb presentation of beautiful horses, elaborated reprises and magnificent music. In April the performance will be the second Friday since the first

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Friday is Holy Week. Hacienda Don Carmelo, Vega Baja (AB/6)

Puerto Rico High Fashion Week Holiday-Resort Collections 787-723-8866

3/29/07 - 3/31/07

Preview of the upcoming Resort fashion collections. Puerto Rico Convention Center, San Juan: Santurce (BE/9)

Gallery Nights of Old San Juan 787-721-2400

9/01/06 - 5/31/07

A special night when the galleries in Old San Juan stay open late for your perusal. San Juan: Viejo San Juan (BA/1)

Puerto Rico Symphony

787-721-7727

9/16/06 - 5/19/07

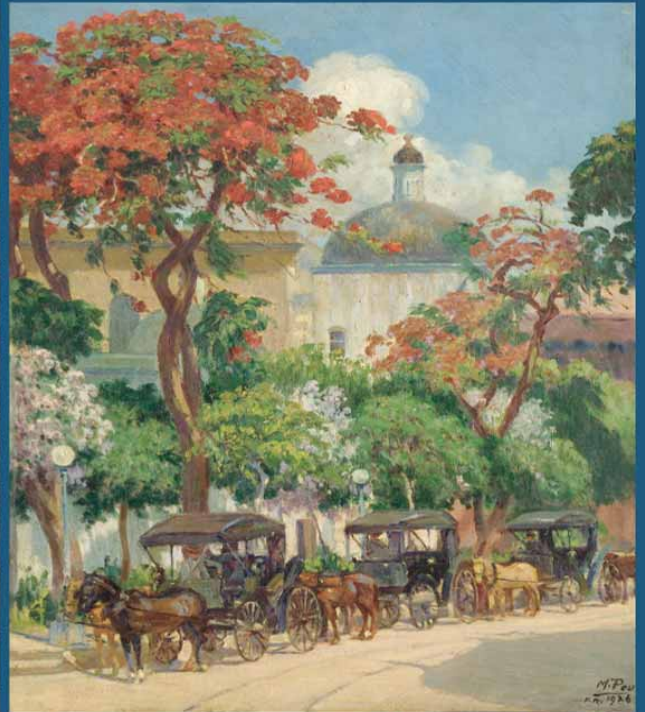
The premiere orchestra of Puerto Rico. Minillas Government Center, San Juan: Santurce (BE/9)



José Campeche. *Gobernador Don Ramón de Castro*; óleo sobre tela. Colección Municipio de San Juan / Museo de San Juan



Francisco Oller. *Hacienda Aurora*; óleo sobre madera. Colección Museo de Arte de Ponce. Fundación Luis A. Ferré, Inc.



Miguel Pou. *Los coches de Ponce*; óleo sobre tela. Colección Museo de Arte de Ponce. Fundación Luis A. Ferré, Inc.

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