

PURPOSE *Journeys*

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PURPOSE JOURNEYS GUATEMALA

DECEMBER 2-10, 2026

9 days (8 nights)



Purpose Journeys were created to offer a more mindful way of traveling, building an authentic connection with places and local communities through experiences that carry real meaning and value.

This **Guatemala** itinerary, developed in partnership with **Fondazione Francesca Rava**, opens with activities organized by the Foundation, giving travelers a close look at its work supporting children and local communities.

The journey then continues into the wonders of the country, combining culture, history and nature, with stops in Antigua and at the extraordinary **Maya archaeological sites of Tikal and Yaxhá**, in the heart of the Petén rainforest, along with the striking natural setting of **Cráter Azul**, one of the most captivating places in the region.

To make travel to the Petén region easier, a round-trip domestic flight between Guatemala City and Flores is included.

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HOTEL PANCHOY - Antigua

DEEMBER 2 - 6, 2026 (4 nights)



A welcoming colonial-style hotel in the historic center of Antigua, a short walk from the city's main attractions.

The property offers elegant, comfortable rooms, a pool and a panoramic terrace looking out over the surrounding volcanoes. The interiors, carefully detailed and drawn from local tradition, create an authentic and restful atmosphere - an ideal base for discovering the city's rich historical and cultural heritage.



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HOTEL ISLA DE FLORES - Flores

DECEMBER 6 - 8, 2026 (2 nights)



A short walk from the lake and from the main square of Flores, the **Hotel Isla de Flores** is a warm, characterful property recognizable by its white walls and blue shutters.

The hotel has a rooftop pool with a sun deck and sweeping views over Lake Petén Itzá, rounded out by a restaurant, a bar and a small shop. Its 16 rooms are bright and thoughtfully finished, offering a comfortable and relaxing setting.

Thanks to its prime location, steps from the night market and the island's main attractions, it makes an ideal base for experiencing the authentic atmosphere of Flores.



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JUNGLE LODGE - Tikal
DECEMBER 8 - 9, 2026 (1 night)



Set in the heart of the Maya Biosphere Reserve and located inside *Tikal National Park*, **Jungle Lodge** offers a singular experience in close contact with nature and with the archaeological heritage of the region.

The rooms, woven harmoniously into the tropical forest, deliver comfort and authenticity in an extraordinary setting.

The property has a pool, a restaurant and quiet areas to unwind, making it the ideal base for experiencing sunrise and the wonders of the Tikal archaeological site.



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HOTEL MESON DE MARIA - Antigua

DECEMBER 9 - 10, 2026 (1 night)



Housed in a captivating colonial-era residence, **Hotel Meson de Maria** sits just 200 meters (about 650 feet, roughly two blocks) from Antigua's Central Park.

The rooms look onto two beautiful courtyards full of character, where guests can enjoy their stay in complete quiet. The central location puts every point of interest within easy reach on foot.



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Cráter Azul

MONDAY, DECEMBER 7



Cráter Azul

Private transfer from Flores to *Las Cruces* (1 hour 15 minutes).

A beautiful **private boat excursion on the Río La Pasión**.

Along the way you can watch the many birds that have made their home in the Petexbatún lagoon: herons, kingfishers, cormorants. Turtles and crocodiles keep to the cover of the riverbanks.

After roughly 30 to 40 minutes on the water you reach **Cráter Azul**, the “blue crater” — a natural site still little known among travelers.

Of unmatched clarity, Cráter Azul is a *cenote*: a submerged sinkhole around 10 meters (33 feet) deep. There is the chance to dive into these cool, crystalline waters, home to an extraordinary underwater garden, for a refreshing swim.

Return by boat to Las Cruces, then back to Flores.

Dinner and overnight at the hotel.

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Yaxhá

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8



Petén

This priceless natural treasure lies in the northernmost part of the country. Its vast territory is considered one of the planet's "green lungs," thanks to its luxuriant vegetation.

Here you can also take in some of the most extraordinary archaeological wonders in the world. The celebrated ruins of **Tikal**, a *UNESCO World Heritage Site*, together with the nearby archaeological site of **Yaxhá** and dozens of others, form the monumental Maya cities of the Classic period.

Their commanding pyramids rise toward the sky above the highest jungle canopy, opening up evocative views over the rich flora and fauna of the region and conveying all the allure and mystery of this ancient civilization.

Private excursion to Yaxhá

A visit to **Yaxhá** - "green water" in the Maya language - one of the most captivating archaeological sites in Guatemala, immersed in the tropical forest of the Petén.

The city stands on the shores of Lake Yaxhá, which supplied fresh water to the Maya population. It preserves pyramid temples, acropolises, palaces and ball courts. The park, designated a protected area, offers a perfect meeting of archaeological heritage and untouched nature.

Lunch at a traditional local restaurant.

Continuing on toward Tikal National Park.

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Tikal

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9



Tikal – Private sunrise excursion

A very early departure (4:30 a.m.) for Tikal. This commanding Maya city, built in the 4th century BC, reached its height between the 3rd and 9th centuries AD with the construction of monumental temples and pyramids, today enveloped by the forest of the Petén.

You enter the site in darkness to climb the tallest pyramid and witness the jungle waking: first the howler monkeys, whose calls carry for miles, then the birds crossing the pale light of dawn. The light rises over the rainforest, gradually revealing the pyramids all around you.

A guided visit of the archaeological site follows - the ancient ceremonial center of Maya civilization and a UNESCO World Heritage Site since 1979.

Around 3,000 structures emerge from the rainforest in an almost mystical atmosphere. The Temple of the Great Jaguar stands facing the Temple of the Masks on the Great Plaza, the nerve center of the city. At 65 meters (213 feet) tall, the Temple of the Double-Headed Serpent was the tallest building in the New World until the 19th century.

After lunch, transfer to Flores airport.

Check-in at *Hotel Meson de Maria*. Dinner at a restaurant in Antigua.

The following day, transfer to the airport for your return flight.

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Terms and Conditions

For reservation: **office@rarodiscovery.com**

9 days itinerary (8 nights), **December 2–10, 2026**

Per person, double occupancy: €2,700*

Per person, single occupancy: €2,900*

A portion of the proceeds will be donated to projects of the **NPH Foundation — Nuestros Pequeños Hermanos**.

*Approx. US\$3,070 per person in a double room / US\$3,295 in a single, at the reference rate of 1 USD = €0.88. The contractual price is the euro amount.

Included:

- 8 nights in the properties listed or similar
- Meals as per the program**
- Private transfers as per the program
- Domestic flights Guatemala City / Flores / Guatemala City***
- English-speaking local guides
- Excursions to Cráter Azul, Yaxhá and Tikal, site entrance fees included
- Activities organized by Fondazione Francesca Rava
- Travel arrangements by Raro Discovery

**Meal plan: daily breakfast, 3 lunches (one of which is a boxed lunch), 7 dinners. Beverages are not included.

***Baggage allowance on domestic flights is 20 kg (44 lb) for checked baggage and 4.5 kg (10 lb) for carry-on.

Not included:

- International flights to and from Guatemala
- Additional expenses
- Tips
- Anything not specifically listed in the program

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Passport, Visas and Health Formalities

To enter Guatemala, travelers must hold a passport valid for at least 6 months. We recommend verifying any updates to entry requirements and health formalities before departure.

Health and mobility: the trip involves overland transfers, walking sections, archaeological visits and activities in natural settings, including an optional swim and an early-morning pyramid climb. Travelers are asked to notify us at the time of booking of any disability or reduced mobility, as well as any specific assistance requirements, so that the feasibility of the services can be verified.

Insurance: travelers are required to hold insurance coverage that includes personal assistance expenses during the trip, including repatriation or early return in the event of injury, illness or death. Coverage for expenses arising from the traveler's withdrawal from the contract is optional.

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Payment and Cancellation Policies

Payment terms:

By bank wire transfer.

Once Raro Discovery has received the completed booking form, the reservation will be confirmed. Payment must be made in full, in a single installment within 5 days of confirmation. Please email a copy of the bank transfer receipt to Raro Discovery at office@rarodiscovery.com

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Reference: participant's last name + Purpose Journeys - Guatemala

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Cancellations and penalties:

In the event of cancellation, the following penalties apply:

- 90 days or more before departure - full refund
- 89 days or fewer before departure - 100% penalty

The trip will be confirmed once a minimum of 6 participants is reached. Should that number not be reached, the organizer reserves the right to propose an alternative solution or to cancel the trip, guaranteeing a full refund of all amounts paid with no penalty applied.

The package is offered and operated by Raro Discovery and is subject to its terms and conditions.

This Program, alongside the information form, constitutes an integral part of the pre-contractual information required under the Italian Tourism Code and must be read together with the General Terms and Conditions of the Package Travel Contract of Raro Discovery, which are available and provided to the traveler before the contract is concluded. Any amendments will be communicated in accordance with applicable law.

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