

Things to Do in Puerto Rico!

There are many things to do in Rincon and the surrounding areas. Here are just a *few suggestions*:

The most popular are going swimming and lying on the beach just outside the Villa. We are blessed with a great sandy swimming beach just outside our doors. You could go bike riding in the town or some people like to go to the mountains but it is hilly so be prepared for a workout. If tennis is something you like or wish to try, there is a great place on top of the mountains to take lessons which is reasonable and the views are incredible. There are courts in Rincon which are within walking distance from our Villas, and there is no charge to use. You will also find a track which many people go to for walking and running. There are many neighborhood parks that have play equipment, baseball diamonds and basketball hoops. Golf courses are found all across the island. Some are very reasonable and others are more expensive, but if you are into golfing, Puerto Rico has some of the best courses, you should definitely try at least one or two before you leave. Horseback riding is available. We usually go to Tropical Trails which is north of Aguadilla. They do a nice job and take you along the beach, which is beautiful. Visit the world's largest telescope in Arecibo. It has been in several movies including James Bond. El Yunque Rainforest which is a day trip away, it has lots of beautiful trails and there you'll see some gorgeous waterfalls. It is the only rain forest within the U.S. National Forest System. If you do not like the "wet" forest, try the many trails of the "dry" forest in Guanica in the Southwest region. It covers 10,000 acres and is the largest of its type in the world. If you like trails, Camuy Caverns offers plenty. They have the second largest underground river running through an impressive subterranean cave network. Some of the best snorkeling in the Caribbean is at Steps Beach. Beautiful coral, fish, turtles etc. Watch the whales. Whale migration season is January through March. One of the best spots is right outside our house. You might want to try your hand at surfing. Besides the sunsets, Rincon is best known for its' surfing, again some of the best in the Caribbean. You can rent a board and we can point you to some great places to try. A well kept secret is the diving. It is some of the best around. There are several great spots a short boat trip away. Our guidebook in the villas will point you to several dive shops that will make sure you have a good time. They also do fishing trips. Take a ride to the Phosphorescent Bay at night, where a special variety of luminescent plankton glow like fire in the dark when you stir your hand in the water. Walk the beach and collect shells. Although the shells generally are not big, we seem to always find more than enough. Take a boat trip out to the island of Desecheo. You might get lucky and see goats or monkeys on the island. Another must do, is explore the old buildings and forts in Old San Juan. El Morro is the most famous. While you are there make sure to do some shopping, an endless number of shops with a huge variety of items. There are many parks and plazas to enjoy all over the island. There are many good restaurants to try in Rincon. Food, nightlife, gambling, and shopping can all be had in Mayaguez, about 15 minutes away. These are just a few of the things one can enjoy on the island....or, you may want to just find a book and crawl into the hammock for a week and listen to the ocean.

Enjoy,

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