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Made In Panama Shopping Tour

## Tour City

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## Tour Snapshot

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Explore the coolest part of Panama, the *Casco Antiguo* world heritage site and discover the best shopping in town with a local guide by your side on this speedy tour! Marvel at the charming architecture of the old town as we stroll the historic streets, introducing you to some of Panama's most famous exports and unique crafts and souvenirs. Find out the stories behind them and learn about the processes that go into making them before purchasing whatever you like at the best possible prices. It's souvenir shopping that's fun, easy and informative all rolled into one! Join us, won't you?

### Highlights

- Visit a unique artisan shop named after the traditional basket of Panama and stock up on a wide selection of 'Made In Panama' products including chocolate, rum and, of course, wicker baskets!
- Discover the surprising story behind the legendary Panama hat and bargain your way to a reasonably priced hat of your own with your local guide there to help you
- Check out a fancy handicrafts museum, factory and store all rolled into one that shows off the best of Panama's craft products, including *mola*, *cocobolo*, *canastas* and lots more

- Enjoy an artisan coffee at one of our favourite award-winning coffee shops
- Learn about one of the most famous commodities in the world, GOLD! Did you know that over one-third of all the gold in the world has passed through Panama? Shop or swoon for the yellow metal at the famous Represa store.

**Local Impact: How you will help the local community by joining this tour:**

- A portion of every tour fee is given to the UNESCO World Heritage Site of Casco Antiguo, contributing to its protection for future generations.
- We visit only shops owned and run by local people, including a local handicraft store run by women from the Embera and Wounaan semi-nomadic indigenous people.

Inclusions: Local English-speaking guide, cup of coffee at a local coffee shop.

Exclusions: Additional food and drinks, souvenirs and personal shopping, tips/gratuities for your guide.

**Schedule details**

- Duration: 1.5 hour
- Meeting point:  
EL MOTETE, located next to Super Gourmet.  
View on [Google Maps](#).
- {label-what3words-location}
- Starting time: 4.30 PM
- Ending point:  
The Bajareque Café

**Full Itinerary**

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Your friendly local guide will meet you in Panama's picturesque old town, known as Casco Antiguo. As we walk we'll chat chocolate first, learning about Panama's world-famous organic varieties, the chocolate of choice for world-class chocolatiers from Europe and beyond. The cacao comes from the Bocas del Toro province and is sold all over the world. This awesome store also exclusively sells other local products such as lotions and soaps.

Next up, it's time to learn about the legendary Panama hat! Ironically, the Panama hats that you would recognise are actually made in Ecuador, BUT, we'll show you hats that are actually made in Panama as well. Travellers are often overwhelmed with the number of stores selling these fabulous hats so it makes sense to visit with a local to guide who can advise you on the price and quality before you make a purchase. These hats are true collector's items!

The next stop will be at a well-known factory that specialises in handicrafts and ornate ornaments. One-third of all the world's gold has passed through Panama, so it would be wrong not to show you some! We'll also check out the highest quality artisan crafts like *mola*, a handmade material often used to form part of the traditional outfit of a Guna Indian woman, and handwoven baskets dyed with natural colours known as *canastas*. You'll also see *cocobolos* (rosewood carvings), *taguas* (ivory nuts) and plenty more.

We then head out to a shop full of local woven and carved artisanal products. Panama is famous for its seven indigenous groups and this shop represents the Embera and Wounaan groups. Arts and crafts here are made by the indigenous people themselves and it's a great place for you to learn about fascinating traditional weaves and local carvings!

We'll finish your Panama shopping tour at an award winning coffee shop and enjoy a cup of the good stuff as we answer any more questions that you may have about shopping in the city. Don't forget to reach out and ask for tips on what else there is to see and do during your stay.

### **Additional information**

Inclusions: Local English-speaking guide, cup of coffee at a local coffee shop.

Exclusions: Additional food and drinks, souvenirs and personal shopping, tips/gratuities for your guide.

Dress standard: There is no standard dress code for this tour.

Your Trip: For your Urban Adventure you will be in a small group of a maximum of 12 people.

Confirmation of booking: If you have your voucher, your booking is confirmed. We'll see you at the start point. Get in touch if you have any concerns or require more information via the email address or phone number (business hours only) on your voucher.

Closure of sites: If a place listed on the tour is closed, we will substitute it with another very similar shop.

Child Policy: This is a child-friendly tour. Children between the ages of 6 and 11 inclusively are permitted on this tour at the rate

listed above. Please select 'child' above when booking. Children under the age of 6 are permitted to join this tour free of charge. Please inform us at the time of booking if you'll be bringing a child under the age of 6. You can do so in the special request box on the checkout page.

### **Dietary Notes**

If you don't like coffee, we can substitute for another drink at the coffee shop.

### **Local contact**

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