WORLD WAR II IN THE PHILIPPINES ****82ND ANNIVERSARY-GHOST SOLDIERS OF BATAAN & HELLSHIPS** 4 - 13 APRIL 2026

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"I send my warmest congratulations to the Department of Tourism (DOT), Valor Tours and Military Historical Tours for jointly organizing these fun and educational "Reunion in the Philippines" Tours.

These tours, which aim to bring back to the Philippines American servicemen & women who fought side by side with us during WWII, or who were formerly stationed at Subic Bay or Clark AFB, is a welcome boost in our efforts to promote the country as a premier tourist destination.

As you embark on these sentimental journeys and relive cherished memories with your families, it is my hope that you will also recount your positive experiences to all your loved ones back home. Indeed, the endearing warmth and hospitality of our people is the most precious asset of our tourism industry.

Join me in working towards greater peace, progress, and prosperity."

Mabuhay kayong lahat! Ferdinand "Bongbong" Marcos

Bataan and Corregidor. Forever linked together in the tragic defeat and brutal treatment of American Forces at the hands of the Japanese Military, these battles will always be remembered for the fierce defense by American and Filipino troops, fighting side by side against overwhelming odds.

Cabanatuan POW Camp was the site of the daring rescue of some of the survivors of the "Death March" and we will go there to commemorate this successful rescue mission behind enemy lines.

MILITARY HISTORICAL TOURS is proud to offer a very special <u>84th Anniversary Tour</u> to the Philippines with our partner Valor Tours, Ltd. to return to the PI WWII Battle-fields to commemorate the service and sacrifice of both nations during the Pacific War. We hope you can join with the PI Veterans and all those with an interest in WWII history as we follow in the footsteps of those who served in the Philippine Islands and were subjected to the horror of the "hellships" as they

were moved to mainland Japan POW Camps.



Tour Price Includes: Round-trip economy class airfare from San Francisco (SFO) or Los Angeles (LAX) to Manila International, Philippines via Philippine Airlines

7 Nights Hotel Accommodations * Air-conditioned motorcoach, banca & ferry * Meals as indicated in the itinerary * Round Trip Airport Transfers & Baggage Handling * * Field Book" information packet—containing maps * Admission fees to all sites, museums and attractions * Services of experienced PI Tour Leaders & local guides. Doing your own air—Take a \$1,000 Air Credit Deduction!







DAILY ITINERARY

Friday & Saturday, April 4 & 5 Late night departrue from the U.S. (San Francisco or Los Angeles) via Philippine Airlines for Manila, Philippines. Meet tour host Dean Armstrong if flying from San Francisco. Cross the Date Line and lose Friday.

Sunday, April 6 Arrive Manila Int'l Airport Immigration (passport required), baggage collection & customs. Meet local guide & board private air-conditioned coach for transfer to the Manila Hotel. Rooms ready for early check in. Visit to MacArthur archives (& suite if available). Afternoon tour of Intramuros (the old walled city), & Fort Santiago & handicrafts shop for souvenirs. Group dinner in Mabuhay Palace at Manila Hotel. (Meals: D-Dinner)

Monday, April 7

After breakfast, transfer to vessel to cross Manila Bay to Corregidor, at the mouth of Manila Bay. Morning tour in private Tranvia to 92nd Garage, Monkey Point, Kindley Field, & Malinta Tunnel Light & Sound show. Box Lunch break, then afternoon tour continues

Bottomside, Middleside and Topside to include Wainwright Park, Army Dock, Navy Dock, Batteries Way & Hearn, gun batteries, Mile Long Barracks, Pacific War Memorial & Museum, Batteries Crockett & Geary, & Malinta Tunnel. With the Corregidor Inn closed, we will return to Manila Hotel for the night. (Meals: Breakfast-B, Lunch-L, D)

by coach to the Bataan Peninsula and

Kilometer Marker Zero, beginning of the Death March. Continue north with stops at select Death March markers as we follow parts of the actual Death March route, sites of Field Hospitals #1 and #2, and Angels of Bataan Marker at Limay. Visit the Balanga

Elementary School & Bataan WWII Museum, the site of surrender negotiations. Overnight at Crown Royale, Balanga, Bataan. (Meals: B, L)

Wednesday, April 9 Drive to Mt. Samat and the Altar of Valor for museum and battlefield views. Stop at Pantingan River massacre site. Proceed to Subic Bay via Morong, site of "Last Cavalry Charge." Overnight at Segara Suites, Subic Bay. (Meals: B, L)

Thursday, April 10 Visit the Hellships Memorial, Jungle Survival Training, & Olangapo Museum. Overnight at Segara

Suites, Subic Bay. (Meals: B, L)

Friday, April 11 Check out of hotel and drive to the Jose Calugas monument at Layac Junction & San Fernando Railway Station Museum where the POW's were packed into railroad boxcars for the ride to Capas. Then on to Clark Field to see Fort Stotsenberg



gates, Parade Ground, Civilian Cemetery, Clark Field Museum & lunch at Clark VFW Canteen. On to Capas Railway Station, Battling Bastards of Bataan Memorial & Camp O'Donnell. Overnight Microtel Inn, Luisita, Tarlac. (Meals: B. L)

Sunday, April 13 Full day

touring including Santo To-

mas University (site of ci-

vilian & nurses' internment

Bilibid

(subject to permission).

drive through the Philip-

pine business district in

Makati including site of

Prison

Saturday, April 12 Check out of hotel. Morning visit to Pajota's Bridge & the American POW Memorial at Cabanatuan, site of former POW camp & location of "The Great Raid" as told in "Ghost Soldiers" by Hampton Sides. Return to Manila with lunch en route. Check into the Manila Hotel. Evening farewell dinner at Mall of Asia, once & future "largest mall in the world." Overnight at the Manila Hotel. (Meals: B, D)



Tuesday, April 8 After breakfast head Group in front of the famous Manila Hotel

Nichols Field, & visit the American Cemetery at Forbes Park (possible private wreath laying). Return to hotel to freshen up before transfer to airport for evening flight back to the U.S., arriving West Coast about 8:00pm same day, or transfer for Leyte extension. (Meals: B)

camp).



Post Tour Leyte Gulf Extension

Sunday, April 13 Transfer to domestic terminal for Philippine Airlines mid-afternoon flight. After 1 hour flight, arrive Tacloban, Leyte. Transfer to Oriental Hotel in Palo on the beach. (Meals: B)

Monday, April 14 Full day sightseeing to invasion sites and memorials including Hill 120 with 96th Inf. Div. Memorial, landing beaches, MacArthur Memorial and Peace Park, and Palo Cathedral (site of first invasion hospital).





(Meals: B)

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the international terminal for flight to U.S. Tour ends. (Meals: B)

<u>Price: Leyte Post Tour</u> \$ 900 per person (BoDO) \$ 200 Single Room Supplement

Tour Includes: Air fare between Manila and Tacloban economy class via Philippine Airlines; round trip airport/hotel transfer; two nights hotel accommodations; breakfast daily; sightseeing as indicated; local guide; & local taxes.



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