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Palm trees swaying in the wind, crystal turquoise seas and seemingly endless stretches of talcum-powder-fine-white sand beaches, plus a distinctively laid-back way of life characterise this beautiful island. Boracay offers everything from golf, trekking, sailing and water sports - such as windsurfing and scuba diving - to great hotels, gourmet restaurants and festivals. Plus, of course, its fabulous beaches - including White Beach, voted among the finest in the world. By night, it turns into one big tropical party venue, with nightclubs vying for attention and discos held directly on the beach.



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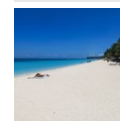
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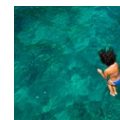
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## THE ISLAND



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One of the Philippines' most popular tourist destinations, Boracay island lies just off the coast of Panay in the western Visayas region. It is comprised of thirteen areas, known by the Filipino name of Barangays, including Manoc-Manoc and Balabag.

Boracay became an independent state in the 1950's, and was something of a secret until, it is said, a film crew "discovered" the island while filming in the area in the 1970's. The secret was out: tourists began arriving and have continued to do so ever since.

Boracay is probably most famous for its beaches, especially the White Beach - at around four kilometres long, it is the island's main tourist beach known the world over. The sea is especially shallow here, which makes it safe for water sports. The beach is lined with hotels and restaurants - some directly on the waterfront, others separated by a long esplanade.

There are other beaches, too, including the quieter Diniwid Beach and the second largest Bulabog Beach which, because it catches the wind, is popular with windsurfers, kitesurfers and kiteboarders. In fact, the brightly coloured sails are a part of the beach's identity. Boracay is also famous for its nature and eco-trekking, its

bargain shopping in markets, diving, parties and the many spas found in its holiday resorts.

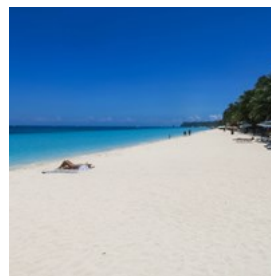
## DO & SEE



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Relaxing on the beautiful beaches is, perhaps, the top choice of many tourists who visit Boracay, but there are many other attractions and things to do. Boracay, for instance, is a magnet for festival-goers and sport event enthusiasts. Special events include dragon boat races, the Paraw regatta (sailing race), and the open Asian Frisbee beach tournament held every summer - an important event for Boracay's own top ranking team, the Boracay Dragons. Golfing enthusiasts can enjoy the world-class 18-hole par 72 Fairways & Bluewater Resort Golf & Country Club course, while nature lovers and walkers can explore the natural areas of rice terraces, waterfalls and lush plantations around the Tibiao whitewater river (the adventurous can even go whitewater rafting).

### White Beach



White Beach is considered to be one of the best beaches in the world. The four km stretch of sugary fine white sand and the crystal clear blue water is the first thing that comes to mind when you picture paradise. This is

where most of the island's hotels, restaurants and bars are located.

Photo: Deortiz (image cropped)

Address: Station 2, Boracay

### Windsurfing



Every January, Bulabog beach is abuzz with locals and visitors who come to see or even take part in the Boracay International Funboard Cup

Competition.

Windsurfing (and kite-surfing) are popular activities all year round and there are several companies across the island that offer classes and courses for beginners and advanced surfers.

Funboard Center Boracay:

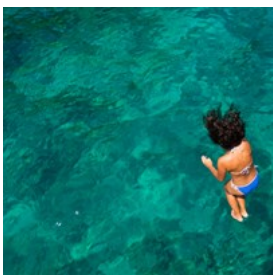
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Address: Bulabog Beach, Boracay

Phone: +63 927 343 4071

Internet: [www.windsurfasia.com](http://www.windsurfasia.com)

### Ariel's Point



Only a 30 minute boat ride away from Boracay Island you will find a cliff jumping spot called Ariel's Point. The views here are stunning, and

the trip is an enjoyable experience whether or not you decide to go cliff diving (choose the height you're comfortable with).

Photo: Witchaphon Saeng-aram/Shutterstock.com

Address: Aklan, Philippines

Public Transport: Boracay's White Beach in Station 1

Opening hours: 11.15am-5pm

Phone: +63 36 288 6770

Internet: [www.arielspoint.com](http://www.arielspoint.com)

### Ati-Atihan Festival



In the beginning of every year, there's the two-week long Ati-atihan festival, when people throughout the Philippines wear

elaborate fancy dress costumes and make-up, and party with music, dance and carnivals.

The religious festival is held in a nearby municipality and is in honour of the Santo Niño de Cebu (the Holy Infant Jesus), a patron saint of the Cebu region.

The Ati-Atihan takes place every third Sunday of January.

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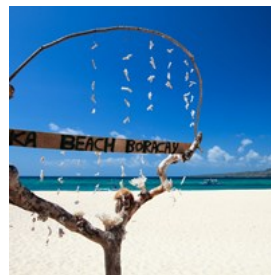
Address: Kalibo, Philippines

Internet: [www.kaliboatitihan.ph](http://www.kaliboatitihan.ph)

More Info: Municipality of Kalibo, capital of Aklan Province.

Kalibo is a town about 2½ hours travel by bus or van from the port town of Caticlan.

### Puka Shell Beach



Less crowded than the White Beach, Puka is a stretch of crispy white sand that is a must-visit for all travelers to the island. It is usually

included in most beach-hopping itineraries. The beach is little commercialized, but some beach bars offer complimentary sun beds with purchase of a drink.

Photo: BlueOrange Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Puka Shell Beach, Boracay

More Info: North of Boracay island

## Bat Caves



The area Barangay Yapak is home to the special breed of bats called "the golden flying fox" or "the Philippine flying fox" - these giant fruit bats

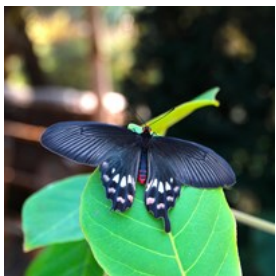
can reach a wing span of more than 1,2 metres. The best time to visit is in the afternoon, when you can see them take flight into the stunning sunset.

Photo: Zajcsik

Address: Aklan Province, Boracay

More Info: East of Yapak

## Butterfly Garden



The Boracay Butterfly Garden is a very popular attraction. This attractive landscape garden is home to rare species of exotic tropical butterflies as well

as rare trees and plants. It is estimated to contain between 200-300 live tropical Philippine butterflies at any one time.

Photo: Peggy\_Marco

Address: Bulabog Beach, Boracay

Phone: +63 36 288 6701

## The Dead Forest



This unique forest sprawls across a network of tiny fish ponds. Even though the trees are dead, their trunks have managed to stay alive,

and some people say it is because of evil spirits. High humidity and the nutrition carried by the surrounding ponds help the trunks to remain suspended.

Photo: Enrico Strocchi (image cropped)

Address: Bulabog Beach, Boracay

## Banana Boats



This is a lot of fun and a very popular water activity among tourists. The boats come in different sizes and you can fit 3 to 10 people on

one banana boat per ride. You find these boats on almost all of the beaches across the island, where they can be hired.

Photo: skeeze

## Mountain Biking & Hiking



What better way to discover the island than to put on your hiking shoes and get out there? You are sure to find remote places and

breathtaking scenery. There are paths criss-crossing the whole island and if you prefer renting a mountain bike, you can do so pretty much anywhere along White Beach.

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Address: White Beach, Boracay

## Willy's Rock

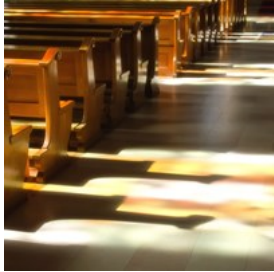


Located at Station 1, Willy's Rock is somewhat of an iconic location on the island of Boracay. Best time to visit is during low tide. Rumor

has it, this beach is also home to some of the island's best sunsets, so stay until sundown and watch the magnificent sun disappear behind the horizon.

Photo: Andrei Goncharov/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Balabag, Boracay

### Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary



Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary is a small Catholic Church in the Station 1 area of Boracay Island. Mass in English is held almost daily, so do not hesitate to visit for a spiritual moment or join the Sunday mass. Tourists and visitors are welcome to attend.

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Address: Balabag Plaza Station 1, Boracay  
Phone: +63 36 288 3219  
More Info: Catholic Church

### Motag Living Museum



To learn more about Boracay culture and traditions, visit the Motag Living Museum. Many of the "exhibits" are interactive - visitors will, for example, be able to plant rice and try their hand at other activities performed by local farmers. Visits are by appointment; pick-up service available.

Photo: Suriya99/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Motag, Aklan Province, Boracay  
Opening hours: Daily 10 am-2 pm, closed on Mondays  
Phone: +63 921 556 3111  
Internet: [www.motaglivingmuseum.com](http://www.motaglivingmuseum.com)  
Email: [motaglivingmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:motaglivingmuseum@gmail.com)

### Mount Luho



For a beautiful, panoramic view of the island take the 15 minute hike uphill to Mount Luho, the highest point of Boracay (hire an ATV (all-terrain vehicle) or tricycle if you mind walking). Go on a clear day for best views. There is a small entrance fee and a mini-zoo as you approach the top.

Photo: Constantine Agustin (image cropped)  
Address: Mount Luho, Boracay

### Diniwid Beach



This secluded, cosy beach with a private feel to it is a great alternative to the often busy White Beach. Several scenic restaurants are perched on the cliffs north of this beach, located only a 20 minute walk (or an even shorter tricycle ride) north from Station 1.

Photo: javarman/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Balabag, Aklan Province, Boracay

### Boat Tours



With a pre-arranged boat tour you can discover the Island from a new perspective, and even see some of its hidden places. Have a great time with friends and family, enjoy the included lunch and watch the sunset directly off the boat.

Adventure Boracay Explorer:

Photo: Pavel Potseluev/Shutterstock.com

Address: Station 1, Boracay  
Phone: +63 998 435 8792  
Email: info@boracay-explorer.com

### Crystal Cove Island



On the Crystal Cove Island you can not only enjoy the beautiful, pristine nature, but also engage in active pursuits such as snorkeling, trekking and water sports. Small entry fee applies for entry to the coves. For special occasions, there is a possibility of renting the entire island.

Photo: GREGOR  
Opening hours: 8am-5pm  
Phone: +63 918 911 81 34  
Internet: www.boracaycrystalcove.com  
Email: info@crystalcoveisland.com

### DINING



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Boracay has a huge choice of restaurants to suit all tastes and pockets - from local eateries to lavish gourmet-style venues. Dishes like char-grilled chicken, meat cooked to perfection over coals accompanied by salads and local vegetables, or fish caught fresh from the sea, marinated and grilled, can be found on most tables. Try grilled prawns with bacon and avocado, fresh Oriental-style spring rolls or

delicacies like seared tuna with soy sauce. The hotels and resorts tend to have a selection of restaurants too, serving both Filipino and International cuisine.

### I Luv Backyard BBQ Grill



The busy I Luv Backyard BBQ Grill is located at D'Mall, the island's busiest shopping village. Their chicken and pork dishes include tasty treats such as litson kawali, crispy pata, sisig and of course roasted and fried chicken; the seafood menu is just as extensive. Come outside "rush hours".

Photo: vsl/Shutterstock.com  
Address: D'Mall, Boracay  
Phone: +63 362 88 69 80

### Aria Restaurant



Aria is an Italian restaurant with great food at affordable prices. Their pizza is baked in a wood-fire oven which makes the crust perfectly chewy and crunchy. Another thing to try is the appetizer platter containing olive tapenade, caprese, peppers and more.

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Address: White Beach Manggayad, Boracay  
Opening hours: Daily 11 am-1 am  
Phone: +63 36 288 6223  
Internet: www.aria.com.ph  
Email: info@aria.com.ph  
More Info: At the beachfront of D'Mall of Boracay

### Cyma Greek Restaurant



This Greek restaurant has been popular ever since it opened and it is not hard to understand why. The menu is perfect for vegetarians and meat

lovers alike with vegetables, seafood, soup, pasta and lamb. The atmosphere is typically "beachy" - cozy, relaxed and casual.

Photo: R.Ashrafov/Shutterstock.com

Address: D'Mall, Boracay

Phone: +63 36 288 4283

Internet: [www.cymarestaurants.com](http://www.cymarestaurants.com)

More Info: Station 2

### MAMA's Bar, Restaurant and Chillout Lounge



At Mama's you can taste genuine Austrian and German cuisine. On the menu you'll find dishes such as Goulash, Chicken Wiener Schnitzel,

Bockwurst, and Berner Wurstel - servings are rather generous. To accompany the food order a German wine or an Austrian Schnapps.

Photo: Brent Hofacker/Shutterstock.com

Address: Main Road, Hagdan, Yapak, Boracay

Opening hours: Daily 3 pm-12 am

Phone: +63 9163 924 897

Email: [info@mamasboracay.com](mailto:info@mamasboracay.com)

More Info: Opposite Grand Vista Hotel

### Wrap 'n Roll



For local food and one of the island's best views of the sunset, head to the restaurant Wrap 'n Roll. It is located in the Spider

House, a hotel situated in a tree-house built upon the rocks, on the very

end of the Diniwid beach. They serve breakfast, lunch and dinner.

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Photo: 5PH/Shutterstock.com

Address: Diniwid Beach, Boracay

Opening hours: Daily 7 am-10 pm

Phone: +63 36 288 2350

Internet: [www.spiderhouseressort.com](http://www.spiderhouseressort.com)

Email: [booking@spiderhouseressort.com](mailto:booking@spiderhouseressort.com)

More Info: Located at the Spider House Hotel

### Los Indios Bravos Boracay



At Los Indios Bravos, craft beers on tap are paired with classic pub food from all over the world. The eclectic menu includes everything from

oysters to steak to Indian dishes to traditional British pub pies. For dessert, try the deep-fried Mars bar or apple pie.

Photo: Foodio/Shutterstock.com

Address: Bulabog Beach, Boracay

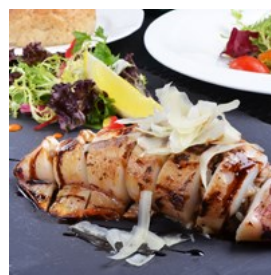
Opening hours: 10 am-12 am

Phone: +63 36 288 2803

Internet: [www.indiosbravosboracay.com](http://www.indiosbravosboracay.com)

Email: [indiosbravosboracay@gmail.com](mailto:indiosbravosboracay@gmail.com)

### Mayas



Sink you toes into the sand at this waterfront restaurant located at Jony's Beach Resort. The menu features a large variety of items, with

Filipino and International dishes available, including seafood in abundance. Special emphasis is laid on food presentation.

Photo: 54613/Shutterstock.com

Address: Station 1, Boracay

Phone: +63 288 63 25

Internet: [www.jonysbeachresortboracay.com](http://www.jonysbeachresortboracay.com)

Email: [mayas\\_boracay@yahoo.com](mailto:mayas_boracay@yahoo.com)

More Info: Located at Jony's Beach Resort

### Yellow Cab Pizza



At Yellow Cab Pizza you can find different types and sizes of New York-style pizza with premium ingredients and generous toppings. Other

foods, such as pasta, calzone and desserts are also on offer. If you want a piece of the Big Apple in Boracay, order a delivery or dine in.

Photo: [carpe89/Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: Manoc-Manoc, Boracay

Phone: +63 36 288 5550

Internet: [www.yellowcabpizza.com](http://www.yellowcabpizza.com)

### PauPatri Restaurant



Heralded by some as one of Boracay's best eateries, this intimate, secluded restaurant is best visited after sundown. The

establishment serves traditional Filipino food (along with some international options), such as seafood and fresh fish, in a traditional local setting.

Photo: [grafvision/Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: Balabag, Boracay

Phone: +63 36 2882477

Email: [paupatrirestaurant@yahoo.com](mailto:paupatrirestaurant@yahoo.com)

### Epic Boracay



Epic Boracay is a modern restaurant with an elegant atmosphere by day and a stylish, beachfront club cum lounge by night. All-day

brunch is served, along with a variety of dishes ranging from starters to mains (these include chicken, pork and seafood).

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Address: D' Mall, Boracay

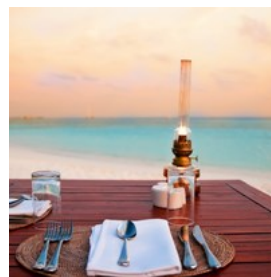
Opening hours: Daily 11 am-3 am

Phone: +63 36 288 1477

Internet: [www.epicboracay.com](http://www.epicboracay.com)

Email: [info@epicboracay.com](mailto:info@epicboracay.com)

### Kasbah



Kasbah is a casual restaurant on White Beach. Food here is served al fresco, and Moroccan flavors dominate the menu. Try

the warm and cold mezze, soups, succulent Moroccan tajine dishes, kebabs, and desserts. To complete the night, order a shisha pipe (served by the waterfront).

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Address: Tambisaan Jetty Port Rd, Boracay

Phone: +63 36 288 4790

Internet: [www.kasbahrestaurantboracay.com](http://www.kasbahrestaurantboracay.com)

Email: [kasbahboracay@gmail.com](mailto:kasbahboracay@gmail.com)

More Info: Station 1

### Smoke Restaurant



The Smoke is a casual dining Asian restaurant, with a laid-back atmosphere and affordable, delicious food.

Here you can find tasty soups, meat/chicken/seafood and rice dishes, as well as a few tofu-based vegetarian options. Some international foods, such as burgers, are served as well.

Photo: [jreika/Shutterstock.com](#)

Address: D'Mall, Boracay



Opening hours: Daily 9 am-10 pm  
Phone: +63 36 288 4790  
More Info: Station 2

### Charlie's Steakhouse & Diner



Charlie's Steakhouse & Diner is located at YCL Hotel Boracay. Food served is typical steakhouse/diner fare, including succulent meats, wings and burgers. Live music plays at night, turning the place into a lively night venue rather than a restaurant alone.

Photo: Joshua Resnick/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Main Rd, Boracay  
Opening hours: Daily 7 am-2 am  
Phone: +63 36 288 1232  
Email: charliesboracay@gmail.com  
More Info: Located at YCL Hotel Boracay

### Sushi Shi-ro



Some say that Sushi Shi-ro is the best sushi restaurant in Boracay. Fresh fish cooked with passion and a comfortable atmosphere

(much due to the working air-conditioning) awaits visitors - in pleasant contrast to many of the steaming hot outdoor establishments.

Photo: tookapic  
Address: Balabag, Boracay  
Opening hours: Daily 12 pm-11 pm  
Phone: +63 36 288 2587  
More Info: Japanese Restaurant

### Aplaya the Beach Bar & Italian Restaurant



At Aplaya the Beach Bar & Italian Restaurant you'll be able to tuck into delicious pizza and pasta, as well as steaks and other Italian cuisine

specialties. At night, the ambiance becomes more relaxed and patrons often opt for ordering water pipe (served directly on the beach) or the incredible Margaritas.

Photo: Luiz Rocha/Shutterstock.com  
Address: 380 White Beach, Boracay  
Opening hours: Daily 10 am-1 am  
Phone: +63 36 288 2851  
Email: paolocovati@gmail.com  
More Info: End of Station 1

### Christina's

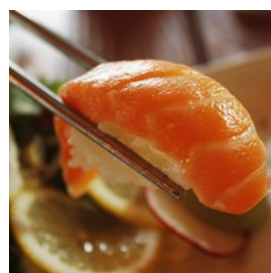


Located at Hennan Regency Resort & Spa, Christina's is an elegant restaurant set directly on the waterfront. The food is exquisite, with a selection of international dishes available.

Choose from meats, seafood, and Italian specialties such as risotto and pizza. Live bands play at night.

Photo: cobraphotography/Shutterstock.com  
Address: Station 2, Boracay  
Opening hours: Daily 10 am-10.30 pm  
Phone: +63 36 288 6111

### Nagisa Coffee Shop



Despite the "coffee shop" in its name, Nagisa more of an elegant beach café serving an impressive variety of Asian food, with an emphasis on Japanese.

Choose from prawns, spring rolls, tuna and salmon ceviche, sushi, Gyoza, ramen noodles and much more.

Photo: idkjm123

Address: Station 3, White Beach, Boracay

Opening hours: Daily 9 am-5 pm

Phone: +63 362 885 006

Internet: www.boracaysurfside.com

Email: mail@boracaysurfside.com

More Info: Located at Surfside Boracay Resort & Spa

### Dos Mestizos Restaurant



A reputable local restaurant, Dos Mestizos beautifully showcases the Spanish culinary heritage of the Philippines. Paella served here is some of the best on Boracay, and other traditional Spanish delights enjoy a great reputation. The owners also run a Spanish deli Gusto y Gustos.

Photo: asife/Shutterstock.com

Address: Sunset Rd, Boracay

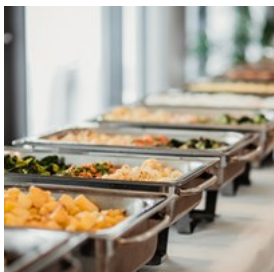
Opening hours: Daily 10 am-11 pm

Phone: +63 36 288 5786

Internet: ww.dosmestizos.com

Email: dosmestizos@yahoo.com

### Sea Breeze Café



The Sea Breeze Café, adjacent to the Hennan Regency Resort, welcomes drop-in visitors for breakfast, lunch, and dinner. All meals are served buffet-style, with a rather generous array of dishes on offer - dessert table included. Drinks come at an extra charge.

Photo: OMolleker/Shutterstock.com

Address: Station 2, Boracay

Phone: +63 36 288 61 11

Internet: ww.henann.com

Email: hotel@boracayregency.com

More Info: Located at Hennan Regency Resort, Main Beach Wing, Level 1

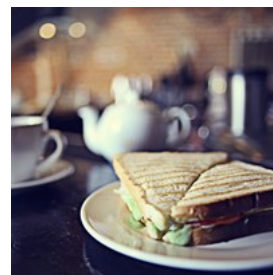
### CAFÉS



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There are plenty of cafés and casual eateries to choose from. Some offer international foods like burgers, pizzas and kebabs, others specialize in local delicacies like spring rolls and rice dishes that are ideal as a light snack. Salads, often with fruit like mango or pineapple diced in amongst the lettuce, are eaten as light meals too. Fruit is also the main ingredient of the colorful, vitamin-packed smoothies - a drink very popular among both visitors and locals.

### Real Coffee & Tea Café



This beachfront café run by mother and daughter is well known on the island and appreciated for a wide selection of cakes, sandwiches, fresh juices, loose leaf teas, homemade yogurt, omelettes, pancakes, brownies and more. Try the mango or banana French toast.

Photo: Kichigin/Shutterstock.com

Address: White Beach, Balabag, Boracay

Opening hours: Daily 7 am-7 pm

Phone: +63 36 288 5340

Internet: realcoffeeboracay@gmail.com

More Info: Station 2

### Artista Boracay Café



Located at the Artista Resort in Boracay, this rooftop café boasts a spectacular view of Diniwid Beach. The atmosphere is very

laid-back and relaxing, and if you wish, the staff can even put on some classical music for you. A selection of international dishes and succulent desserts is served.

Photo: Junial Enterprises/Shutterstock.com

Address: Diniwid Beach, Boracay

Phone: +63 36 288 5960

Internet: [www.artistaboracay.ph/cafe.htm](http://www.artistaboracay.ph/cafe.htm)

Email: [info@artistaboracay.com](mailto:info@artistaboracay.com)

### Jonah's Fruit Shake & Snack Bar



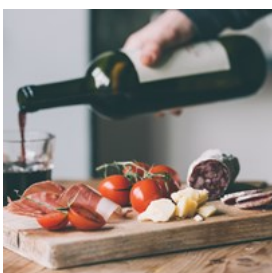
A must when visiting a tropical island is definitely to enjoy a fresh fruit shake. A good place to do that is Jonah's Fruit Shake & Snack Bar. They

also serve breakfast, lunch, fruit bowls and other snacks. The best-selling shake is the banana-peanut-chocolate - one simply cannot go wrong with it.

Photo: PublicDomainPictures

Address: White Beach, Balabag, Boracay

### Heidiland Deli



When you grow tired of the tropical Filipino cuisine, change it up by visiting this little place. European treats such as fine wines, chocolates,

freshly baked breads, deli cuts and cheese

platters are their specialities. Prices are above average, as most products are specially imported.

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Address: D'Mall, Boracay

Phone: +63 36 288 5939

Email: [info@myboracayguide.com](mailto:info@myboracayguide.com)

More Info: Station 2

### Lemoni Café



Lemoni is a café for all-day breakfast, lunch and a snack, and transforms into a full-blown restaurant for dinner. They serve tasty

sandwiches, healthy juices and smoothies and delicious pastries in a clean and fresh atmosphere. The eatery offers in- and outdoor seating.

Photo: 5 second Studio/Shutterstock.com

Address: D' Mall, Boracay

Opening hours: Daily 7 am-11 pm

Phone: +63 36 288 6781

Internet: [www.lemonicafeboracay.com](http://www.lemonicafeboracay.com)

Email: [lemonicafe@yahoo.com.ph](mailto:lemonicafe@yahoo.com.ph)

### Aria Gelato Italian Ice Cream



At Aria Gelato you can find real Italian ice-cream. Unique on the Boracay island, this gelateria offers a large variety of different

flavours - fruit- and chocolate-based. Try the milkshakes - a perfect blend of refreshing drink and dessert for the hot sunny days.

Photo: JM Travel Photography/Shutterstock.com

Address: D' Mall, Boracay

Phone: +63 36 288 5573

Email: [info@aria.com.ph](mailto:info@aria.com.ph)

More Info: Station 2

### Starbucks



The Boracay installment in the worldwide coffee chain, Starbucks is a coffee shop known to all. You can choose between different coffee flavours

and sizes or go for a lovely piece of cake, sandwich or smoothie. Make yourself comfortable in the café and write an e-mail back home - Wi-Fi is available.

Photo: Jan Knop/Shutterstock.com

Address: White Beach, Boracay

Opening hours: Daily 6.30 am-12am

Phone: +63 36 2881694

Internet: [www.starbucks.com](http://www.starbucks.com)

More Info: Station 1

### Cafe del Sol Boracay



Cafe del Sol is one of the first modern cafès on Boracay island. You can decide to have a meal or just a coffee with a piece of delicious cake. You will

find an amazing place where to spend your time with family or friends. Coffee beans are locally grown.

Photo: Hastings A Franks/Shutterstock.com

Address: White Beach, Boracay

Opening hours: Daily 7 am-12 am

Phone: +63 288 55 73

Internet: [www.cafedelsol.com.ph](http://www.cafedelsol.com.ph)

Email: [info@cafedelsol.com.ph](mailto:info@cafedelsol.com.ph)

### Share Tea



If Asian pearl tea is a drink you enjoy, Share tea is the place to go for some of the best varieties of the exotic drink in Boracay. Apart from tea,

the establishment offers milk shakes, fresh juices, iced slushies and coffee, Asian desserts and more.

Photo: bambe1964 (image cropped)

Address: D'Mall, Boracay

Phone: +63 036 260 2397

Internet: [www.sharetea.com.ph](http://www.sharetea.com.ph)

### The Sunny Side Cafè



The Sunny Side Cafè serves up some of the best breakfast foods on Boracay. Breakfast is served on an all-day basis, which includes

menu items like Bacon & Mango Grilled Cheese sandwich, Espresso-Caramel Pancakes and Avocado-Bacon Smash. Serves specialty coffee.

Photo: cobraphotography/Shutterstock.com

Address: Station 3, Boracay

Opening hours: Daily 7 am-10 pm

Phone: +63 36 288 28 74

Internet: [www.thesunnysideboracay.com](http://www.thesunnysideboracay.com)

Email: [meetme@thesunnysideboracay.com](mailto:meetme@thesunnysideboracay.com)

## BARS & NIGHTLIFE



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Boracay is the party capital of the Philippines. Taking a stroll along the waterfront at night will almost certainly mean stumbling upon lively beach bars and dance clubs. Nightlife establishments are usually rather informal (the dance floor/seating is often directly on sand), and attract locals and visitors alike. Stations 1 and 2 are known as the lively party areas, while Station 3 is better fit for those looking to spend a relaxed evening listening to the sound of the waves.

### Summer Place



Summer Place is a fun open bar facing the beach. Easily the hottest nightlife venue in the Station 2 area (if not the entire island), Summer Place has a rather compact dance floor, which often extends directly onto the beach. Arrive early to avoid the entrance fee.

Photo: Rawpixel.com/Shutterstock.com

Address: Station 2, Boracay

Opening hours: Daily 7 am-2 am

Phone: +63 362883144

### Club Paraw



The dream of sipping cocktails on the beach comes true at Club Paraw, where evenings are spent listening to acoustic reggae and folk songs, and as the night progresses, party vibes are generated in abundance by livelier music like house, hip hop and r'n'b.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com

Address: Front Beach, Balabag, Boracay

Phone: +36 288 6151

More Info: Station 1

### Red Pirates Pub



Relaxed, chill music and ice cold beer await at Red Pirates Pub, located in the Station 3 area, far away from the hustle and bustle of the lively Stations 1 & 2. This hole-in-the-wall bar serves mean mojitos, and hosts live acoustic music performances (mostly reggae, rock and folk).

Photo: Jag\_cz/Shutterstock.com

Address: White Beach, Angol, Boracay

Phone: +63 036 288 5767

Internet: [www.red-pirates.blogspot.com](http://www.red-pirates.blogspot.com)

More Info: Located a few minutes walk south of Station 3

### BomBom Bar



A mix of reggae and ethnic sounds fill the air at the low-key BomBom Bar, live music performances being held here regularly. The large, inviting garden with chairs and tables made of driftwood is a quaint detail. Serves both food and drinks.

Photo: Viachaslau Kraskouski/Shutterstock.com

Address: White Beach, Boracay

### Coconut Bar



A popular small beach bar where everything revolves around coconut, this one is a café serving bar food by day and a louder evening venue by

night, when drinks and cocktails are served in coconut shells. Ice-cold natural coconut juice is on offer, naturally.

Photo: photopixel/Shutterstock.com

Address: Station 3, Boracay

Phone: +63 92 987 057 18

More Info: White Beach Victory Divers

### The Ruf Resto Bar



Located on the Ferra Hotel rooftop, this elegant bar is a very relaxed evening venue with a selection of drinks and food items on offer.

Light, jazzy music fills the air, and the views of the Boracay skyline are some of the best on the island. Conveniently located by the D'Mall.

Photo: KieferPix/Shutterstock.com

Address: Bulabog, Boracay

Opening hours: Daily 5.30 pm-11.30 pm

Phone: +63 91 768 091 40

Internet: www.ferrahotel.com

Email: ferrahotelboracay@gmail.com

More Info: Located at Ferra Hotel

### Wave Bar and Lounge



Wave Bar and Lounge boasts an attractive location right on the beachfront, at the Hennan Regency Resort. An elegant bar before sundown, the venue gradually turns into a lively night club with a busy dance floor as it gets darker. Prices are on the higher side.

Photo: Pressmaster/Shutterstock.com

Address: Station 2, Boracay

Opening hours: Daily 5 pm-3 am

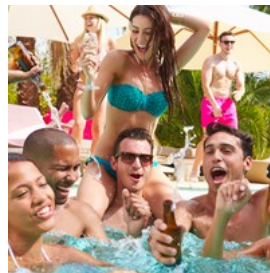
Phone: +63 9158434281

Internet: ww.henann.com

Email: reservations.hrb@henann.com

More Info: Located at Hennan Regency Resort

### Manic Monkey



The Manic Monkey Crew (Stacey & Anne) organises some of the best parties on Boracay. If you want to have fun and dance all night, try the Jungle Pool Party, which is exactly what it sounds like - an escapade by the pool amidst lush tropical greenery.

Photo: Monkey Business Images/Shutterstock.com

Address: Diniwid, Boracay

Phone: +63 927 842 1196

Email: manicmonkey2013@gmail.com

### Boracay PubCrawl



To hit several nightlife hot spots in one night, join the Boracay PubCrawl and make friends from all over the world. The professional, experienced and fun team of organizers does

everything in its power to guarantee all participants a fun, entertaining night out.

Photo: Deborah Kolb/Shutterstock.com  
 Address: Station 1, Balabag, Boracay  
 Phone: +63 906 207 5343  
 Internet: www.pubcrawl.ph  
 Email: boracaypubcrawl@gmail.com

### Exit Bar



With its authentic "beachy" vibe, Exit is a relaxed bar popular for pre-drinks and after-parties. Sink your feet into the sand and enjoy reggae and hip hop music with a beer in your hand, imbibing the chill party atmosphere. Drinks are very affordably priced.

Photo: Kzenon/Shutterstock.com  
 Address: Station 2, Boracay  
 Opening hours: Daily 5 pm-2 am  
 Internet: www.facebook.com/EXIT.Bar.Boracay

### Once Upon a Time in Boracay



Once Upon a Time in Boracay is the first cinema pub of the island. Here you can have fun and spend time with your friends drinking, playing board games, listening to good music, having barbecues and, of course, watching some of the best movies on the large screen.

Photo: oneinchpunch/Shutterstock.com  
 Address: Station 3, Boracay  
 Opening hours: Daily 8 pm-12 am  
 Phone: +63 932 485 2110

## SHOPPING



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Shopping in Boracay revolves around its fabulous markets and speciality shops. As befits an island community, there are multiple corner shops selling items of beachwear, water sports attire, swimming costumes and the like. The island's largest market is Talipapa - a must-visit for local crafts and fresh seafood. Local craftsmen produce intricate wood carvings, leather items, musical instruments, and jewellery.

### D' Talipapa Market



One of the best authentic shopping spots on the island, the D' Talipapa Market is known first and foremost for its fresh seafood. Beware of the "tourist prices" and haggle relentlessly - costs can be decreased to a fraction of the initial price. Seafood is also cooked and served at local eateries.

Photo: photopixel/Shutterstock.com  
 Address: Zone 7 Road B, Balabag, Boracay

## D'Mall



The D'Mall isn't exactly a shopping center, but rather an entire one-storey village, whose streets are lined with all manner of shops and restaurants. Known for its generally reasonable prices and an abundance of decent eateries, the D'Mall is an area frequented by locals and tourists alike.

Photo: Ariwasabi/Shutterstock.com

Address: Station 2, Boracay

Phone: +63 288 41 61

## Paulo Collection Body Wear



Paulo Collection specialises on beach- and swimwear, and offers a variety of quality items ranging from swim suites to footwear and accessories. The store specializes primarily on women's fashions, but menswear is available as well. Consult the online look book for more.

Photo: Kar Tr/Shutterstock.com

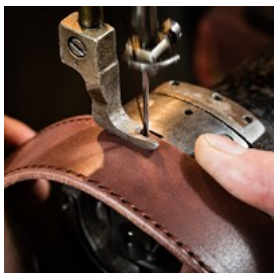
Address: Balabag, Boracay

Opening hours: Daily 9 am-10 pm

Phone: +63 36 288 3448

Internet: [www.paulocollection.webs.com](http://www.paulocollection.webs.com)

## Boracay Leather



Boracay Leather is one of the most well-known shops on the island. It sells natural leather products such as belts, bags, lamps and footwear. Most items are made in-house and are therefore artisan, one of a kind accessories perfectly fit to become gifts and souvenirs.

Photo: Jan Faulkner/Shutterstock.com

Address: 34 Main Rd, Boracay

Opening hours: Daily 8 am-10 pm

Phone: +63 926 622 2844

## E Mall

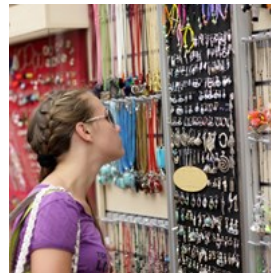


D'Mall's sibling, E Mall is a collection of small shops one will find following the road on the right-hand side of the Golden Phoenix Hotel in Station 3. Souvenirs are said to be cheaper here than at D'Mall, but the general assortment of goods is rather similar.

Photo: LuckyImages/Shutterstock.com

Address: Station 3, Boracay

## Plazoleta



The Plazoleta is a venue relatively easy to overlook - its entrance is rather inconspicuous, but finding it is worth the extra effort. Several small shops are housed inside, including the artisan T-shirt store, a leather vendor and more. Markets are held here on Saturdays.

Photo: Chubykin Arkady/Shutterstock.com

Address: Station 2, Boracay



## ESSENTIAL INFORMATION



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### Caticlan Airport



Boracay can be reached best from Cebu or Manila to Caticlan by air. Flights arrive into the small Caticlan Airport (Godofredo P. Ramos

Airport) on Panay Island regularly from other islands or the mainland. Services are operated by Airphil Express (code-shared with Philippine Airlines), Cebu Pacific Air, and South East Asian Airlines.

Caticlan is minutes away from the jetty port from where banca boats leave for Cagban Beach (the jetty port for arrivals and departures on Boracay) throughout the day. The ferry takes approx. 10-20 minutes.

There are different companies arranging transfers from here to Boracay. Southwest Tours ([southwesttoursboracay.com](http://southwesttoursboracay.com) / +63 36 2685100) is one of them.

Photo: Juan Garces  
Phone: +63 36 288 7111

### Kalibo International Airport



The journey from Kalibo to Boracay goes via Caticlan and takes approx. 90 minutes by bus. There are different companies arranging

transfers from here to Boracay. Southwest Tours ([southwesttoursboracay.com](http://southwesttoursboracay.com) / +63 36 2685100) is one of them.

Photo: Juan Garces  
Address: Kalibo, Philippines  
Phone: +63 36 262 3264

### Public Transport



Motor-tricycles, mountain bikes or quad bikes can be hired from many outlets around the island. Pedicabs circulate around the island as well, fares

are usually clearly displayed on the vehicle and are twice as high at night and increase if the destination lies beyond Stations 1, 2 or 3.

Boracay's coastline can be seen from the decks of sailing boats or motorized bancas.

Photo: Pierre-Luc Auclair

### Post



Post offices dot the island and are clearly identified by signage. They are normally open from 9 am to 5 pm, on weekdays only. One of the offices is

located at the northern end of the Main Road. You can also send your mail from the Boracay Tourist Centre, that is said to be quicker than the post offices, but be aware that it is about 50%

more expensive.

Photo: Andy Fuchs

## Pharmacy



There are pharmacies in most of the island's communities, which are open from 10 am to 5 pm. Farmacia Gomez (at Tyrol Shopping Center/+63 36

288 5005) and Harlem Drugstore (at Tambisaan Jetty Port Road/+63 36 288 3244) are two of the largest pharmacies on the island. For emergencies head for the Boracay Medical Centre which is open 24 hours.

Photo: Gemma Garner

Address: 689 Main Road Balabag, Boracay

Phone: +63 36 288 4280

## Telephone



Country code: +63 Area code: 36

Photo: Jardson Almeida

## Electricity



220 volts, AC. 60 cycles. Most hotels have 110-volt outlets.

Photo: Stirling Tschan

## Population

28, 369

## Currency

Philippine peso (PHP)

10 ~ US\$0,19

## Opening hours

Shops: from around 10 am to 5 pm, 8 pm on Saturdays.

Smaller shops stay open well into the evening.

Banks: from 9 am to 3 pm weekdays.

## Newspapers

Daily tribune

Philippine daily inquirer

Philippine star

Today

Mindanao times

## Emergency numbers

Police: 166 and 135

Hospital: 141

Fire Department: 198 and 194

## Tourist information

Department of Tourism Office

Boracay Main Road, Balabag

+63 36 288 3689

open: 8 am-noon and 1 pm-5 pm Mon-Fri

Tourist Center

White Beach Path,

Manggayad, Balabag

+63 36 288 3704

open: 9 am - 6 pm daily



Bat Caves

Bat Cave

Crystal Cave

Bael-At Beach

Yapak 4

Puka Beach

Ilig-Iligan Beach

Ilang-Ilang Road

BRGY YAPAK

Yapak 3

Yapak 2

Yapak 1

Banyugan Beach

Santos Place

Punta-Bunga Beach

Punta Bunga

Kallikugan Cave

Baling Hal Wall

Diniwid Beach

Diniwid Road

Cave

BRGY BALABAG

Mt. Luho View Deck

Lapuz-Lapuz Beach

Gateway Arch

Main Road

Willy's Rock

Bulabog Rd

Bulabog Beach

Sibuyan Sea

Tablas Strait

Boracay Rock

Malabunot Reef

Maguahan Rd

Main Road

Angol Road

Tulichan Road

Manabunot Rd

Manabunot Rd

Tambisaan Rd

Rd 9

BRGY MANOC-MANOC

Tambisaan Beach

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Crocodile Island

Crocodile Reef

Tabon Strait

Live Coral Beds

Calirojan Beach

Cagban Beach

Shark Cave/Channel Steps

