



The Underground River

Having lived in Manila for some nine years now we don't hold our breath when venturing out doing organised tours or remote Islands trips (unless its Amanpulo of course). Recently we decided to flit off to see Philippines newly appointed Natural Wonder of the modern world "The Underground River".

As usual our expectations were low, so not to be too disappointed when we got there.

Well I am delighted to say it ended up being a fantastic, wonderful, well worth the money and effort trip.

Our flights with Cebu Pacific on both ends of the trip left and landed before schedule a very rare thing here in the Philippines as I am sure you are all aware.

The Underground River is a one and a half hours drive from Peurto Princessa airport in a small town called Sabang. Hotels do have scheduled transport at certain times of the day but if you land outside of the regular times there are other companies you can approach on arrival to get to Sabang, if you lucky enough to find few couples all doing the same thing you can arrange to share the total cost of the transport.

The tour of the Underground River was amazing. Our guide was very knowledgeable and entertaining with wonderful explanations of what the formations of the rocks looked like, we had giraffes, lions and male mushrooms (I will leave that one to your imaginations) a face of Jesus which was quite amazing to mention a few.



After that we headed off to Dos Palmas Island and Resort which was where we spent 3 nights. We felt we just needed to get some of the fresh air, tropical sun and white beach sand into our system. Rooms are large and clean, they do say beach front villa, however, there is a mangrove in front so access to the beach is not outside your room. There were no televisions in the room we stayed in but I did notice that some rooms did have a TV set, you might have to make a special request. The food was fresh and tasty and the cocktails moorish. We did some snorkelling which was lovely just beware if the itching jelly fish.

Overall it was a lovely 4 nights. I booked hotel and resort online through the actual hotels websites and did the tour through Saltons travel & tours

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We chose the Sheridan Hotel which was clean, new, modern hotel with a lovely pool area and walking distance to the boats that take you to the Underground River. It also had a beach and the sea has waves... You can surf there. There is an 800meter Zip Line which looked amazing but we did not have time to do it all.

