

About your day trip with Seascape Kayak Tours

The trip will depart from Curú Wildlife Refuge. We usually meet there at 8.30 a.m. and go through a comprehensive orientation to sea kayaking skills and emergency procedures. While kayaking, the pace is easy and there are lots of opportunities to stop, stretch your legs, swim and relax.

Getting to Curú

Curú is situated along the road that runs between Tambor and Paquera. From Malpais, travel through Cobano, on to Tambor and continue on towards Paquera. The entrance to Curú is on the right side of the road 16 km. past Tambor and 6 km. before reaching Paquera.

When you arrive at Curú, you'll come to a small guard station, where you'll sign in. Tell the guard that you are doing a trip with Seascape and Bruce Smith. Your refuge entrance fee is included in your trip price. Seascape will already be in the refuge preparing for the trip. Drive the mile into the refuge on a dirt road through pasture land, keeping your speed down and watching for animals. When you arrive in the main administration area, park in the lot on your left, lock your car and walk up to the beach area and we will meet you near the kayak rack there.

What to wear

It is usually hot in Curú, so plan your attire accordingly. While there are some shaded areas, you'll also be in direct sun while kayaking, so bring hats, sunscreen and lip protection. Wear your bathing suit, light weight shorts and tops that will wick away moisture and dry quickly, and bring sport sandals or other shoes you don't mind getting wet. There are washrooms and showers available at no extra charge.

What to bring

We have dry bags for any items you want to bring along, including your camera. Bring a water bottle and we can refill and recycle your plastic bottles for you. You can also bring granola bars or small snacks, but we will provide food for you as well.

Wildlife you'll see

Any visit to Curú affords opportunities to see white-faced Capuchin, howler and spider monkeys, many types of lizards, and an amazing array of birds (232 species have been counted here!) such as motmots, trogons, crested caracara and the endangered scarlet macaw, which has been reintroduced into the refuge. While kayaking we often see sea turtles, Spotted Eagle Rays, dolphins, numerous tropical fish and seabirds such as Osprey, Brown Pelicans, Brown Boobies, Frigates etc.

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