

Curaçao Dance & Culture Retreat

DANCE | MUSIC | CULTURAL IMMERSION

JULY 31 - AUGUST 9, 2025



*A 10-day immersive dance, culture and
adventure retreat on the Caribbean island
of Curaçao.*


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Trip Overview



Your host
Zakinza Experience

 July 31- August 9, 2025

 Group size: 10-30

 Curacao



Embark on an unforgettable 10-day dance journey through dance on the vibrant island of Curaçao, where adventure, culture, and connection await. This immersive experience takes you from the heart of downtown Willemstad to the serene and rustic nature of Westpunt, offering a perfect blend of excitement and relaxation.

Enjoy 4 nights in vibrant Willemstad and 5 nights in the serene Westpunt region, with daily breakfasts and dinners, roundtrip airport transportation, and transfers to all activity locations included. Immerse yourself in authentic Afro-Curaçao music and dance workshops with live drumming. Meet local dance and music teachers and learn new rhythms and songs, and explore the island with guided tours, kayaking, and beach adventures.

This curated experience combines cultural immersion, physical activity, and moments of relaxation, ensuring you return home refreshed and enriched. Whether it's dancing on the rhythms of Sankofa, kayaking through Curaçao's turquoise waters, or exploring its vibrant street art, this trip promises memories to last a lifetime.

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What's included

- ✓ Airport pick-up
- ✓ Airport drop-offs
- ✓ 9 nights accommodation
- ✓ Local transportation
- ✓ Welcome dinner
- ✓ Daily breakfast
- ✓ Several lunches and dinners
- ✓ All dance workshops with local instructors
- ✓ Hands-on cultural experiences
- ✓ Tours/Activities



What's not included

- ✗ Roundtrip airfare to Curaçao
- ✗ Travel Insurance (highly recommended)
- ✗ Alcohol
- ✗ Tips and gratuities

Packages & Options

Available packages

10-Day July 31st-August 9th

Deposit*

\$500

Single Room

\$4,250

For those who need their own space sometimes.

Double Room

\$3,495

Share a room with your BFF or let us match you with someone!

5-Day July 31st-August 4th (Willimstad) or August 4th-August 9th (Wespunt)

Deposit*

\$500

Double Room

\$1,950

Share a room with your BFF or let us match you with someone!



Curaçao's iconic Handelskade

**Deposits are non-refundable as they are used to secure your accommodations*

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Itinerary*

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Day 1 Arrivals - Curacao

- Airport info: [Curaçao International Airport \(CUR\)](#)
- Transfer to accommodations for check-in [Barrio Hotel](#)

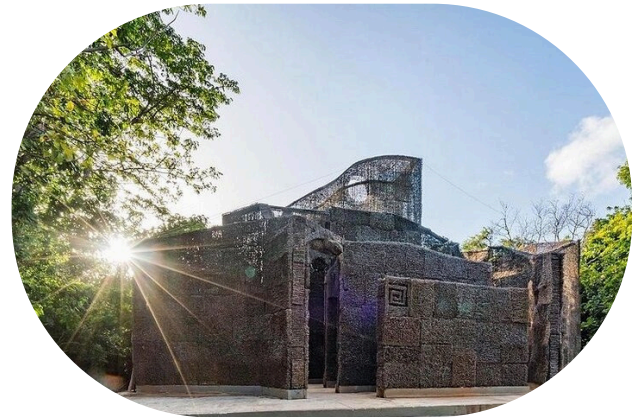
Welcome Dinner

Dive into your Curaçao experience at our welcome dinner during Punda Vibes! Get to know your dance mates, make initial introductions and get the 411 on what to expect for the remainder of the trip. Afterwards, head into town to soak up local artists' performances, a night market and fireworks at 8:15 pm!



Day 2 Dance & Cathedral Labrinth of Thorns at Night (Friday)

- Breakfast
- Dance sessions
- First Friday: Cathedral Thorns at Night
- Dinner



Highlights

Cathedral Of Thorns

The Cathedral of Thorns was designed by Herman van Bergen and is a full building-sized illuminated labyrinth completely constructed of over 1 million thorns. Visitors are invited to walk through its corridors and experience an artistic journey through a troublesome history toward a bright future; both sides are represented by the hostile yet beautiful thorns. To raise consciousness of the similarities between religions, the design includes symbols of today's world religions and ancient nature-based religions. The walls have niches containing objects of contemporary art by guest artists, expressing mankind's ability to change, share and collaborate through creativity. In addition, the labyrinth also functions as a stage for performances.

**Sample Itinerary subject to change*

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Day 3 Dance & Art Tour

- Breakfast
- Dance 10am-2pm
- Downtown Willemstad Culture Walk/E-scooter tour
- Beach palapa dance session @ Zakito
- Dinner

Highlights

Kaya Kaya Festival Art



Day 4 Kas di Pal'i Maishi tour and Bread Making

- Yoga-Meditation
- Breakfast
- Dance and drum sessions
- Kas di Pal'i Maishi tour and traditional Pan Será making
- Dinner at 7pm

Highlights

Kas di Pal'i Maishi tour and Bread Making in a traditional Curaçao outdoor oven. See and learn how Afro-Curaçaoans lived in this well-preserved masterpiece of our vernacular architecture.

Day 5 Salt marshes and Flamingos

- Breakfast
- Check out Barrio Hoel
- Zoutpannen Williwood & flamingos
- Transfer to Wespunt check in Mondri Lodge
- Dance and drumming
- Dinner

Highlights

Marfa's Hangout, home of the famous goat burger, located in iconic Williwood, right across the flamingos.



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Day 6 Kayaking and snorkeling at Boca Fluit

- Beach dance session
- Breakfast
- Kayaking and snorkeling at Boca Fluit
- Dinner

Highlight

The Blue Room is one of Curacao's most famous snorkeling spots. This experience is known to exceed expectations. Originally known as Boca Fluit (Flute Bay) the Blue Room was given this name because of the whistling sounds that it emits as the water splashes against the rocks.



Day 7 Landhuis Kenepa & Tula

- Yoga-Meditation
- Breakfast
- Guided Tour Landhuis Kenepa/Museo Tula
- Dance
- Dinner at 7pm

Highlight

Landhuis Kenepa & Tula

Once among the island's most prosperous and wealthiest plantation, Landhuis Kenepa was the site of the devastating slave rebellion that started on August 17, 1795. Led by the slave named Tula, who is Curaçao's national hero. Tula informed Kenepa landowner Casper Lodewyck van Uytrect, that the Africans captives refused to continue working on the plantation. Tula was told to go to Fort Amsterdam with his complaint, but knowing what would happen to him there, Tula and other leaders of the revolt spread out into the countryside to convince slaves from other plantations to join them in an armed fight for freedom.



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Day 8 Shete Boka National Park & Hato Caves

- Yoga-Meditation
- Breakfast
- Dance
- Shete Boka National Park
- Hato Caves
- Dinner



Highlight

Shete Boka National Park - Pocket bays

The Shete Boka National Park is an area adjoining the Christoffel Park covering almost 10 kilometers of the rocky wave-exposed north coast of the island. The park has approximately 10 pocket bays where 3 species of sea turtles are known to lay eggs. A detailed map of the pocket bays is available for purchase at the entrance of the park.

Day 9 Boat ride and dinner on the beach

- Yoga-Meditation
- Breakfast
- Dance celebration
- Sunset Sail and BBQ party on the beach with all guest teachers and musicians

Highlight

We will beach hop to some of the most breathtaking beaches you have ever seen by catamaran!

Day 10 Reflection

- Breakfast
- Final dance meetup to celebrate the week!
- Pack up and clean up
- Head to airport

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Your organizers

About



Maria and Natasha are two lifelong friends who value meaningful experiences, cultural immersion, adventure, and exploration. Together, they decided that they wanted to find like-minded people all over the world through dance, music, food and culture and Zakinza was born. Join us on our eye-opening trips where you will make form new friendships, and bond over shared passions, all while creating lifelong memories.