

Corinto, Chinandega, Nicaragua

Nicaragua's working Pacific gateway drops you at the edge of a country that rewards the curious — volcanic landscapes, award-winning rum, and one of Central America's finest colonial cities are all within an hour.

Pier (deep-water dock)

Typical call: 7-9 hrs

USD widely accepted

Spanish

MY DAY IN PORT

Ship/Date: _____ Arrive: _____ All aboard: _____

Excursion: _____ Notes: _____

GETTING ASHORE

- Docking:** Pier — ships dock at Puerto de Corinto's commercial quay; no tendering
- Best For:** Volcano boarding, colonial city sightseeing, rum distillery tours
- Walk to center:** 10-15 min on foot to Corinto's central park; bicitaxis available
- Don't Miss:** Flor de Caña Distillery in Chichigalpa or the Cathedral rooftop in León

Getting around: **Taxi** ~\$80 USD/day

TOP THINGS TO DO

- León Colonial City & Cathedral Rooftop** — Central America's largest cathedral (UNESCO World Heritage Site) dominates León's skyline.
- Volcano Boarding on Cerro Negro** — Strap onto a wooden sled and hurtle down the black gravel slopes of an active volcano — one of the world's few places you can do this.
- Flor de Caña Rum Distillery** — One of the world's most award-winning rums is made in nearby Chichigalpa.
- Hervideros de San Jacinto** — A surreal field of boiling mud pots and steam vents connected to the Telica Volcano system.
- Costa Azul Beach & Seafood** — A short bicitaxi ride from the port, this calm bay beach is lined with rustic open-air seafood shacks.

BEST WALKS

- Corinto Town Stroll** 1.5 km · 20-30 min · Easy — Walk from the port gate through the craft market welcome area, down to the Corinto Central Park, past the Parroquia Santo Tomás Apóstol (Corinto's main parish church)...

WEATHER · DAYLIGHT · MONEY

CLIMATE (AVG °F · RAINY DAYS)

	Mon	High	Low	Rain
Apr		74°	65°	29d
Jun		74°	64°	28d
Aug		75°	63°	28d
Sep		74°	63°	29d
Oct		74°	64°	29d

DAYLIGHT & MONEY

Apr 5:59AM–6:10PM · Jun 5:56AM–6:14PM · Aug 6:03AM–6:15PM · Sep 5:56AM–6:03PM · Oct 5:49AM–5:51PM

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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

- US dollars are king. Córdobaes are the official currency but USD is accepted everywhere in Corinto and León. Bring crisp, un-torn small bills (\$1, \$5, \$10, \$20) — merchants refuse damaged notes.
- Hire a bicitaxi. These pedicabs waiting outside the port gate are the best way to see Corinto town for \$5-10/person. They support local drivers directly.
- Build in buffer time if heading to León. The two-lane highway can slow behind agricultural traffic. Allow at least an extra hour to get back to the ship.
- It's extremely hot and humid. Lightweight clothing, a hat, sunscreen, and a water bottle are essential. Shade is limited in the port area.
- Very little English in town. Pier vendors and tour guides speak English, but download a Spanish translation app for the town and markets.
- Try local flavors: quesillo (cheese-stuffed corn tortilla with sour cream), cóctel de conchas negras (black clam cocktail), and a cold Toña or Victoria lager for ~\$1.50.

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