

Cebu to Dumaguete – Apo Island Itinerary and

Notes

Day 1

7:30 ETD Cebu City. We traveled by car. You can also take a Ceres Bus from Cebu South Bus to Dumaguete Ceres Terminal via Oslob for P280 fare and takes around 5 hours ride.

9:15 Carcar. For snacks/stop-over

11:30 Santander. Banca Port/Liloan Wharf. Parked car at a store owners parking space for P30/day.

11:45 Ride motorized boat with P35 ticket and P2 terminal fee. The boat can carry about 90

passengers and it leaves every 30 minutes. The sea trip only lasts for 30 minutes as well. There's also a fast craft in Liloan Port where the Ceres Bus stops with P65 fare to Sibulan and also around 30 minutes ride .

12:15 Sibulan Port.

12:00 Take Jeepney to [Dumaguete City](#)

12:20 Arrived in Dumaguete near Public Market

12:30 Checked in Vintage Inn

12:45 Lunch at Robinson's Place

13:30 Back to hostel. Rest.

15:00 Decided to go to Balinsasayao Twin Lakes in Sibulan.

15:10 Take Jeepney going to San Jose, Sibulan. It's located near a Caltex gas station. You have to wait for the jeepney to be full. Fare is P15

15:50 Arrived in the Jump point to Twin Lakes.

There are many habal² driver there. They will asked for P200/person one way for the fare.

16:30 Danao Lake. First Smaller Lake.

16:45 [Balinsasayao Twin Lakes](#)

18:00 Back to the waiting shed area to wait for a bus or jeeney going back to Dumaguete

18:30 Dinner at Ching Loong. (*There are many good restaurants around*)

20:00 Walk around the boulevard

21:00 Rest

Day 2

5:00 Wake up call. Just a tip, since you will get wet during the banca ride to [Apo Island](#), it's better if you wear your swim clothes (eg. swim shorts/rashguard) beforehand and don't forget your sunblock lotion and a big bottle of water.

6:00 Dumaguete Bus Terminal. Took an aircon bus for P50. Look for a bus with a signboard to

"Bawayan". No non-aircon was near-full that time.

Fare for the jeepney and non-aircon bus is P20/30.

6:50 Arrived at Zamboangita. There's a signboard that it's the way to Apo Island. Walk by the

deserted flea market road (market opens every Wednesday) to the banca port area.

7:00 Breakfast at a small restaurant/karenderia in Zamboangita. They offer really good puto and sikawati. Tip: you can buy your lunch here as its cheaper or you can buy seafoods here or in Apo

Island (more expensive) for lunch and have cooked/grilled in Apo Island.

7:45 Ride the motor boat for 30 minutes. The rates were standard. The roundtrip Prices are below:

Small Boat: P2,000.00 for 4 persons (max is 6 persons). Additional is P250/head.

Big Boat: P3,000.00 for 7 persons (max is 12 persons). Additional is P250/head.

There's also a Public Boat for P300/head per trip if you are travelling alone or less than 4 but you have to wait longer as it's less frequent. Since we are only three, we waited for other persons to share the ride for the small boat to Apo Island. Luckily, a couple from Luzon (Ed and May) agreed to share with us. The first trip is as early as 6am and going back is until 3p-4pm.

Note: Waterproof your things especially gadgets during the boat ride. Our bags were placed in the bottom compartment of the boat and it did not get wet because the water is calm but just to make sure, waterproof your belongings. For sure, you will get wet while hopping in the boat and all the more during the ride and it's better to wear sunglasses to protect your eyes from water splashes. **Other fees:**

Entrance Fee – P100.00/per person. Once you arrived, a local will lead you to the Registration Office and find a snorkeling guide for you.

Cottage to leave your things while swimming – P200.00/group

Guide Fee – P300.00/group

Snorkel Rental – P100.00/per person

Life Vest – P100.00/per person

Shoes/Fins – P100.00/per person

12:45 Back to Zamboangita Port. We went back to Zamboangita early because our newly found friends need to catch a flight in Dumaguete Sibulan Airport to Manila. We took our shower bath here and changed to dry clothes.

13:30 Bus Stop at Zamboangita. We waited about 30 minutes for a bus ride. some buses didn't stop because it's full but the Ceres bus that we rode on is also very full. We were just standing the whole time and the bus fare is cheaper at P25.00

14:30 Snacks at Sans Rival

15:30 Ride Jeepney to Sibulan port. You can ask the Tricycle driver to take you to the jeepney parking area.

16:00 Ride Bangka for P45 fare including the terminal fee.

16:30 Back to Liloan, Santander.

17:00 Drive Back to Cebu

18:30 Dinner Stop at Sibonga

21:30 Back to Cebu City

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