



## EL YUNQUE NATIONAL RAIN FOREST



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### EL YUNQUE WEBSITE <http://www.fs.usda.gov/recarea/elyunque/>

- If you're a nature buff and into hiking, El Yunque Rain Forest is the place to go.
- It's 28,000 acres offer plenty of hiking trails.
- Stop by the Information Center (Km 4.3 El Portal Tropical Forest Center) to see a short film to get oriented – and to pick up a hiking map and tips from the local ranger.
- The next town, is Luquillo Beach, which is a great location to stop on the way back for a refreshing dip after the rain forest visit.



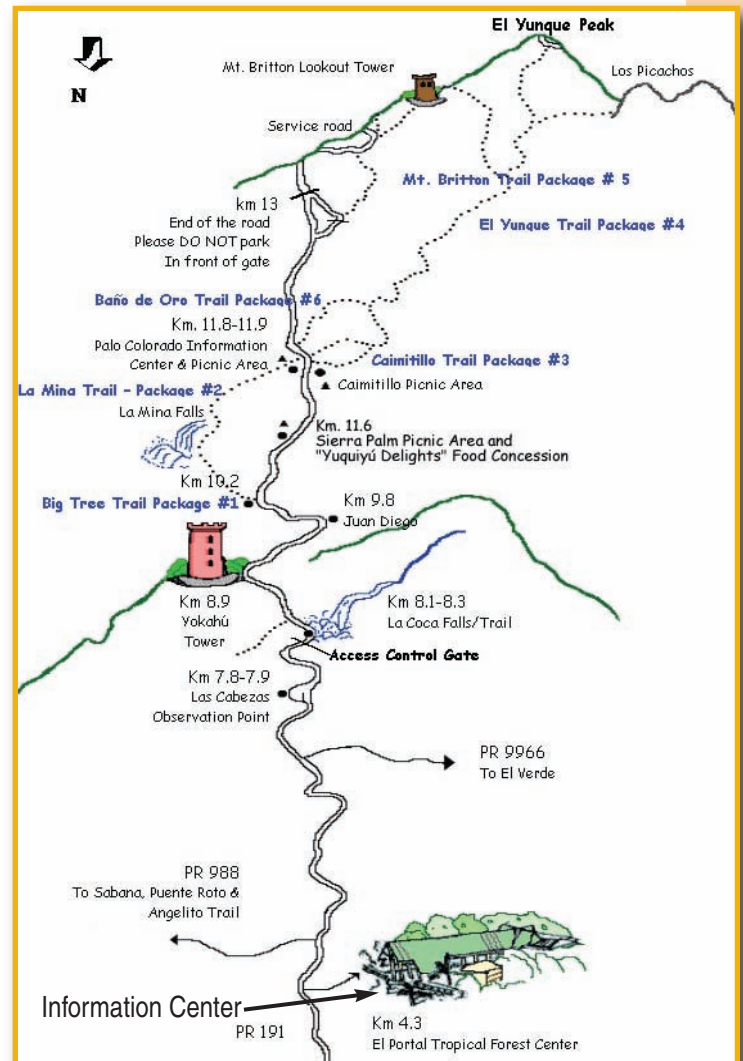
### TIPS

- Bring water shoes, light poncho, hat, sun screen, bug spray, snacks, bathing suits and plenty of water.
- Bring binoculars if you want to bird watch.
- Note: The drive up to the trails is narrow and windy be prepared to stay very focused.

**PLANNING:** 787-888-1880 • Hours of Operation: open daily from 7:30 am- 6:00 pm

### OVERVIEW

- El Yunque National Forest is the sole tropical rain forest in the US National Forest System.
- It differs significantly from all the other US National Forests because of its year-round tropical climate and immense biodiversity.
- It is the ideal climate for exuberant tropical vegetation.
- The rain forest is “home” to thousands of native plants including 150 fern species, 240 tree species (88 of these are endemic or rare and 23 are exclusive to this forest).
- There are trails for ALL levels of fitness. Some are shorter, some are longer – depending on your time availability.



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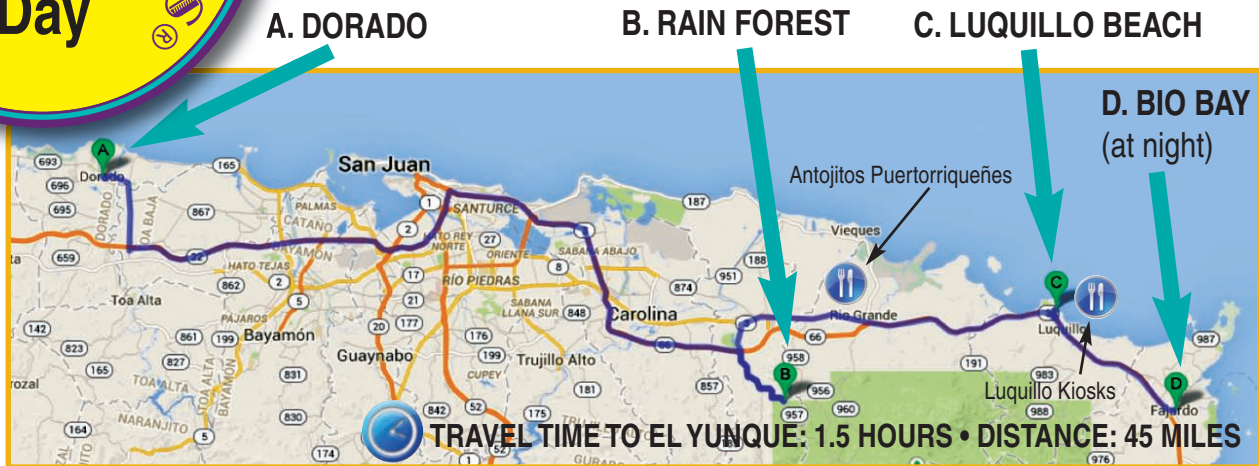
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## MAP TO EL YUNQUE AND BEYOND FROM DORADO



TRAVEL TIME TO EL YUNQUE: 1.5 HOURS • DISTANCE: 45 MILES



### DIRECTIONS FROM DORADO TO EL YUNQUE:

1. Head east on Calle Ricardo Arroyo Laracuente toward Calle 3 – then turn right onto Calle Elsa Valle de Alegria
2. Sharp left onto Calle Estacion/Calle Francisco Escudero/Puerto Rico 699 and continue on 699
3. Turn right onto Calle Méndez Vigo/Puerto Rico 693 • Then turn right onto Puerto Rico 165
4. Sharp left to merge onto Expreso José De Diego/Interstate PR2/PR-22 (Partial toll road)
5. Take the exit onto Interstate PR3 (Partial toll road) Then take the exit toward PR-185
6. Keep right at the fork and merge onto PR-185. Then turn left onto PR-957.



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### DIRECTIONS FROM EL YUNQUE TO LUQUILLO BEACH:

1. Head east on PR-957 toward PR-9957 • Slight left • Slight left again • Turn left
2. Take the first right • Then take the first left • Turn left toward PR-958 • Continue onto PR-958
3. Turn right onto Puerto Rico 3 S • Keep right to continue on Interstate PR3/Puerto Rico 3 S
4. Turn left toward Puerto Rico 193 then turn right onto Puerto Rico 193
5. Take the 1st left onto Calle B/Ó Calle C • Continue to follow Calle B
6. Turn right onto Cll Herminio Diaz Navarro • Slight right to stay on Cll Herminio Diaz Navarro



LOST or CONFUSED? Please call Alex, our Guest Services Manager at 787-516-8109 and he may be able to assist you.

## WHILE YOU ARE IN THE AREA:

### TRIP-COMBINATIONS:

You can combine this Day Trip to the Rain Forest with:

“C” – A stop over at the beautiful Luquillo Beach <http://www.yelp.com/biz/luquillo-beach-luquillo> and then on into the evening at the stunning

“D” – Bioluminescent Bay <http://biobaypuertorico.com/> [You need to RESERVE a night tour in advance]



### RESTAURANTS:

- **Antojitos Puertorriqueños:** en Route to El Yunque, stop for breakfast at this authentic, no-frills spot serving Puerto Rican favorites. (There’s a background soundtrack provided by the indigenous coqui frogs!!) Rt 968 Km 0.4., Rio Grande, Puerto Rico 787-888-7378
- **The Luquillo Beach Kiosks:** A famous line of over 60 beachfront “frikittines” (kiosks) serve excellent food at very popular prices. The atmosphere here is pretty lively on the weekends and it is a festive atmosphere like no other. It feels good to be alive when you come to a place like this!
- **Near Bio-Bay:** About 5 minutes walk from the bay is the Starfish Restaurant (highly rated) Right next door is the Blue Iguana Grill & Bar. If you want more choices, go to <http://www.sal.pr/> Select “Fajardo” and it will give you a list.



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