

## Tourism

Cavite is considered a world-class tourist destination, offering visitors the finest in hotel accommodation, upmarket restaurants serving local and international cuisine, a bustling and vibrant nightlife, and picturesque golf courses. Cavite has remarkably created a modern metropolis that is conducive to big business and leisure travel and maintaining its proud and glorious past and rich cultural heritage. Visitors will enjoy the friendliness and the warmth of the local people and lush natural beauty and historical landmarks of this effervescent province.

Cavite teems with natural resources and fantastic landscapes. It is home to the second summer capital, which is Tagaytay City, next to Baguio City. Tagaytay City is the most well-known tourist attraction in the province. Coconut groves dot the ridges of Tagaytay, and classy accommodations give the visiting tourists a place to relax, and at the same time, vast opportunities to enjoy the magnificent view of Taal overlooking the Taal volcano. Moreover, Cavite is blessed with a galore of natural wonders, making it gleaming and a perfect place for a memorable eco-holiday. It is a picturesque, scenic province providing a place conducive for both business and leisure. The province has terrific mountains, caves, and falls that can indeed fascinate its numerous visitors. Natural wonders in Cavite are mostly found in the upland areas.

Meanwhile, several historical and religious sites are also located in the province, which has defined a remarkable past and has illustrated human creativity and cultural traditions. Each site tells its own distinctive story. Some of these sites are sacred, and some are commemorating battlefields. More importantly, all of these places have contributed a sense of time, identity, and home to our understanding of Cavite as a whole. These are also one of the reasons that Cavite is renowned as the "Historical Capital of the Philippines."

### Tourism Nodal Points

As the closest tourist destination from Manila with several attractions and facilities, Cavite has divided its 23 cities and municipalities into four clusters, grouping those with similar activities offered. There clusters are called tourism nodal points.

**1<sup>st</sup> Tourism Nodal Point** is Cavite's focal point for history and culture. This includes Cavite City, Kawit, Noveleta, Rosario, Tanza, and portion of City of Imus and City of Bacoor where famous historical heritage sited can be found. The area is also known for its rich culinary having preserved most of Cavite's traditional recipes and delicacies.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Tourism Nodal Point** is the haven for nature tourism because of the natural attractions complementing the area's historical attractions. Tourists who are into nature and adventure usually find themselves in the coasts, rivers, and mountains of Naic, Maragondon, Magallanes, Ternate, and Corregidor Island.

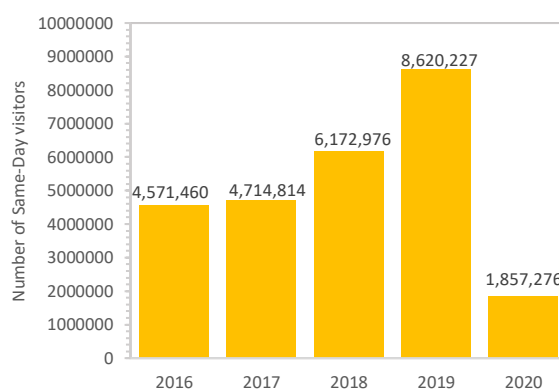
**The 3<sup>rd</sup> Tourism Nodal Point** is the largest among the four tourism nodal points and the center for tourism in the whole province. This includes the municipalities of Silang, Alfonso, Mendez, Amadeo, Indang, Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo, and Tagaytay City. Majority of tourism establishments and attractions that can be found in these towns are leisure and recreational sites, MICE (meeting, incentive, conference, and exhibition) facilities, agri-tourism sites, health and wellness centers, and wedding destinations.

**The 4<sup>th</sup> Tourism Nodal Point** is known as the province's center for commercial and industry, making it ideal for foreign and local investments. This area consists of the cities of Bacoor, Imus, Dasmariñas, General Trias, and Trece Martires and the municipalities of General Mariano Alvarez and Carmona. The area has the potential for industrial tourism as well as sports tourism, having a number of sports facilities such as golf courses, paragliding site, car racing circuit, water sports center, and horse race club among others

The potential increase in the number of visitors and the benefits derived from tourism is still significant considering the new development dimension the present administration is pursuing.

### Tourist Arrival

From the year 2016 to 2019, there was a constant increase in the number of tourists visiting the Cavite but in year 2020 the fluctuated number of visitors can be seen. A total of 4,571,460 same-day visitors was recorded in 2016. The tourist arrivals increased by 3.14% in 2017, 30.92% in 2018, 39.64% in 2019, and in 2020, it decreased by 232.36% or 1,857,276 due to COVID-19 pandemic.



Source: Provincial Tourism and Cultural Affairs Office (PTCAO)

**Figure 4.1 Number of Same Day Visitors, Province of Cavite: 2016-2020**

The average number of same-day visitors from 2016 - 2020 is 5,187,351. In 2020, 927,640 or 50.01% of visitors travel for other purposes such as event venue, sanctuary, center, and plantation. Leisure, recreation, and sports is the second purpose for tourist arrivals in the province with 612,768 or 33.03% visits. Hotels and resorts, culinary, history and culture, nature/eco-tourism are the other purpose of the visitor with a percent share of 8.17, 4.16, 3.05, and 1.58, respectively.

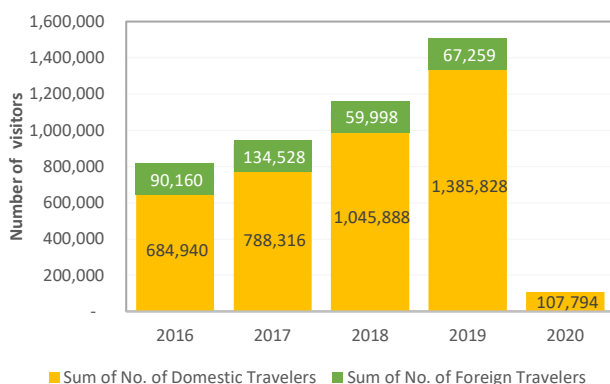
Likewise, the number of overnight travelers in accommodations establishments steadily increased from 2016 to 2019 but decreased in 2020. In 2016 the province recorded 775,100 overnight travelers. The number of overnight visitors increased by 19.06% in 2017, 19.83% in 2018, and 31.40% in 2019. However due to the effect of COVID-19 in the tourism industry, it decreased by 92.58%. The majority of overnight travelers are domestic travelers. In addition, there are no foreign overnight travelers in 2020 due to restriction of international flights in the country brought by the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Table 4.48 Average Number of Same-day Visitors, Province of Cavite: 2020**

Purpose	average number of same day visitors	percent share
Leisure, recreation, and sports	612,768	33.03%
History and culture	56,534	3.05%
Hotels and resorts	151,495	8.17%
Culinary	77,090	4.16%
Nature/ Eco-tourism	29,390	1.58%
Others <sup>a</sup>	927,640	50.01%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,854,917</b>	

a event's place, plantation, center, sanctuary, lakbay-aral

Source: Provincial Tourism and Cultural Affairs Office (PTCAO)



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**Figure 4.2 Number of Overnight Travelers, Province of Cavite: 2016-2020**

## Major Historical Attractions

"Every inch of Cavite's soil is historical", that is from the words of great Caviteño who truly understands history, and being the Cockpit of Philippine Revolution and Birthplace and Cradle of Philippine Independence, Cavite has glorious places of historical legacy such as historical sites, landmarks, houses and museums. Major historical attractions in the province narrate specific stories about the past and have made Cavite the officially recognized Historical Capital of the Philippines. Among these historical attractions are as follows:

### Cavite City

**Belfry of Recoletos Church** - There were eight (8) churches in the walled city. But because of the vagaries of time and war, not one remains today. Only the belfry of the Recoletos stands as a mute witness to the piety of the early Caviteños.

**Cañacao Bay** - Best viewed from Paseo de Barangay at the back of the City Hall, the bay was port to both the Spanish galleons and the Pan Am Clipper seaplanes. The skyline of Manila is visible when looking at the mouth of the bay.

**Cavite City Millenium Capsule Marker** - Significant events, great personalities, trivia, etc. happened, transpired and emerged in Cavite City which influenced in small or significant measure the history and transformation of not only Cavite City but the whole country as well. These legacies are preserved and immortalized for all times in a capsule for the future generation to know.

**Corregidor Island** - The largest of the five islands guarding the entrance to Manila Bay, tadpole-shaped Corregidor Island was once a fishing village with a lighthouse and signal station for all ships entering and leaving the Manila Bay. It is a national shrine commemorating the battle fought by U.S. and Filipino forces against the Japanese during World War II.



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### Don Ladislao Diwa Shrine

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### Fort San Felipe Museum

It is an old structure dating back to 1609 when the Spaniards built it to protect part of the then growing city.



The structure is made up of granite blocks, with walls approximately 30 feet high. A broad stairway leads to the top of the fort where a concrete house can be found. Naval memorabilia including antique cannons decorate the lawns. It is at present managed by the Philippine Navy. Visits can be arranged with prior coordination with the Philippine Navy Headquarters.

### Julian R. Felipe Monument

- A monument stands proud for a great son of Caviteño, the composer of the Philippine National Anthem – Professor Julian Felipe. The Filipino lyrics of the stirring composition of Don Julian Felipe were supplied by Jose Palma. January 28, the birth anniversary of Professor Felipe was declared a Special Public Holiday in the City of Cavite by virtue of Republic Act 7805 approved on July 26, 1993.



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**Old Spanish Slipway** – Built in 1874, this is where galleons were built. The old steam boiler and other equipment are still operational.



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**Sunset View** - By the checkpoint of Cavite City, the view offers the mountain of Bataan, the island of Corregidor, the outline of Mt. Buntis and of course at the end of

the day the world-famous Manila Bay Sunset.

**Muralla** - This well-lighted bayfront offers promenades cool breezes during night time. The view of Bacoor Bay shows the tower of the Aguinaldo Mansion as well as the many oyster beds that dot the bay. This area was once called the isthmus of Rosario and at one time featured a drawbridge.

**Sangley Point** - This was used by the Chinese pirate Limahong in 1574 as his refuge when he ran away after a failed attempt to take Manila. Sangley Point was also used as a military base by the American and Japanese troops. The Philippine Navy now occupies it for ship repair & dry docking.

### Thirteen Martyrs Centennial Plaza

– Built in 1906 to honour Cavite's revered martyrs. The remains of six of the martyrs are still interred in the monument. Through the assistance of the Department of Tourism, the former monument was transformed into a Centennial Plaza after the celebration of its 100th anniversary. It is designed to present the picture of their struggle, trial and execution.



### Kawit



**Battle of Binakayan Monument** - This was the site of a significant encounter between Spanish forces and Filipino revolutionaries from November 9-11, 1896 wherein

hundreds of Spanish soldiers were killed. It was the most decisive battle of the revolution as it marked the first defeat of the Spanish forces and is commemorated as the first major victory of the Philippine Revolution.

**General Candido Tirona Monument** - Gen. Candido Tirona, a trusted aide of Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo, was the first Capitan Municipal in the Philippines. He was instrumental, together with the revolutionaries in the successful defeat of the Spanish forces led by Gen. Ramon Blanco.

**General Baldomero Aguinaldo Shrine** - This national heritage site is the residence of Gen. Baldomero Aguinaldo, Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo's first cousin and right hand. He was the president of the Magdalo Council which was established in Imus and the first president of the Asociacion de los Veteranos de la Revolucion Filipina.

**General Emilio Aguinaldo Shrine** - On June 12, 1898, Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo of the Filipino revolutionary forces declared independence from Spanish rule on the balcony of his residence in Kawit, Cavite. The house is declared as a Shrine and houses the memorabilia dedicated to these historical events. In 1998, a park named Liwasang Aguinaldo was built in front of the house to celebrate the Centennial of Philippine Independence.

### Noveleta



### Tribunal ng Noveleta

- This is the site where Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo's mansion was renovated in 1849 and was declared a national shrine in June 1964, shortly after Aguinaldo's death. On 31st of August 1896, General Pascual Alvarez of Sangguniang Magdiwang killed Captain Antonio Rebolledo, a Guardia Civil, under the headship of General Mariano Alvarez, Punong Bayan, in this tribunal. Lieutenant Francisco Naval, the assistant of Rebolledo, was also killed, and the remaining forces were captivated by the revolutionaries. It further ignited the revolution in Cavite.

### Labanan sa Kalero

- The Calero Bridge was also a battleground during the Philippine revolution where the bravery of Filipinos prevailed over Spanish forces. Magdiwang troops led by Colonel Luciano San Miguel with matibay na Tanggulan Blg. 2 won the battle against more than 400 soldiers of General Diego de los Rios of the Spanish Government on the 10th of November 1896.



### Rosario

**Tejeros Convention Site** - It was in the estate house of the Dominican hacienda in Barrio Tejeros in Rosario and General Trias, Cavite where the Filipino revolutionaries held their 115th convention on the 22nd of March, 1897



and the election to decide the leaders of the revolutionary movement, bypassing the Supreme Council was held.

## City of Bacoor

**Plaza de Padre Mariano Gomez** – Erected in honor of GomBurZa's Padre Mariano Gomez, the monument is a reminder of the vicar firone who rallied against higher ranks to defend the common men of Bacoor. Padre Gomez also pioneered the salt industry in Bacoor and a teacher to the folks.

**Zapote Bridge and Zapote Battlefield Marker** – On



this site, the Filipino Revolutionary Forces fought two decisive battles, one against the Spanish Forces on 17 February 1897, in which Filipino

General Edilberto Evangelista was killed, the other, against the American forces on 13 June 1899, led by General H.W. Lawton, who later was killed in San Mateo Rizal, by Filipino General Licerio Geronimo.

## City of Imus

**Battle of Alapan Marker** – A memorial on the grounds of the Alapan Elementary School which commemorates the Battle of Alapan that took place on the 28th of May 1898.

The battle resulted in the triumph of Filipino forces and a glorious occasion for General Aguinaldo to display the Philippine flag for the first time. The battle also marked the baptism of fire and glory of the Philippine flag and the beginning of the successful struggle to overthrow Spanish rule and the establishment of the Philippine Republic.



**Imus Cathedral** - Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo's revolutionary



army laid siege on the Imus Church (now Cathedral) to capture the friars but found to have fled to the recollect Estate House after the

capture of the Tribunal of Kawit on the 31st of August 1896.

**Isabel Bridge/Bridge of Isabel II/Puente de Ysabel**

- A concrete arch bridge with marker, it signifies the battle that took place during the Philippine – Spanish war called the Battle of Imus on the 1st



to the 3rd of September 1896. The bridge was constructed before 1857 by Lay Brother Matias Carbonell, A.R., overseer of Hacienda de Imus.



**Julian Bridge** - A concrete structure with an old battered cannon and bullets where the bloodiest battle against the Spanish conquerors took place in 1899.

**Pasong Santol Marker** – Commemorative marker of "Labanan sa Pasong Santol" led by General Crispulo Aguinaldo in 1897.

## City of Dasmariñas

**Dasmariñas Catholic Church/Immaculate Conception Parish Church** – It is the first Catholic parish church in the City of Dasmariñas.



Inside this church, now renovated, hundreds of Filipino families were killed by Spaniards during the Lachambre offensive (Battle of Perez – Dasmariñas) to recover lost territory in late August 1897.

## City of General Trias

**Bahay na Tinigilan ni Andres Bonifacio** – House where Andres Bonifacio and his brothers, Ciriaco and Procopio Bonifacio stayed when they were in Cavite on December 1896 to April 1897 due to the invitation of the Cavite provincial council of Magdiwang. It was then owned by Estafania Potente and transferred to Emilio P. Virata, the fourth representative of Cavite, in 1919-1922. It was then bought by Dr. Jose and Martha Rodriguez in 1975. Known visitors of this house are the former Presidents Emilio Aguinaldo, Manuel Quezon, Sergio Osmeña, Manuel Roxas, and Elpidio Quirino.

**Diego Mojica Marker** – A marker in honour of Diego Mojica, president of the Magdiwang faction in General Trias. He led a group of revolutionaries who attacked the Spanish headquarters of the town on August 31, 1896.

**General Mariano Trias Marker** – Marker installed in front of General Trias' house. General Trias was a leading hero during the Philippine Revolution against Spain.

**General Trias Monument and Park** - A monument and park developed in memory of General Mariano Trias y Closas, famous son of the town. He was a General of the Revolution and Vice President of the First Philippine Republic.

**General Trias Municipal Hall and Old Church** – The site of one of the uprisings in Cavite. It was in this old church where the senior band members



rehearsed the national anthem, Marcha Filipina before it was played during the declaration of the Philippine Independence on June 12, 1898.

### Sarayba

#### Heritage House

– The house of Maria Dolores Gomes-Trias, sister of Fr. Mariano Gomes, who was martyred in 1872 with Fr.



Jose Burgos and Fr. Jacinto Zamora. The house was built sometime in the late 18th century and is one of the oldest houses in General Trias exemplifying the architecture of the Spanish colonial period. It was used as a Japanese garrison during World War II and later as a temporary school during the immediate postwar years.

### Amadeo

**St. Mary Magdalene Parish Church** – Built in 1872, St. Mary Magdalene Parish Church is situated at the heart of Amadeo. The restoration of the church was completed with the proceeds from coffee beans. It is now more impressive and has become an inspiring symbol of how do faith can do great things.

### Indang

**Bonifacio Shrine** – It was on this site, in the small barrio of Limbon, Indang where Ciriaco Bonifacio was killed, and Andres Bonifacio was captured and wounded.

**Gat Andres Bonifacio Marker** – A marker was erected near the municipal town hall of Indang at the site where Bonifacio was jailed before his execution in Maragondon.

### Maragondon

**Bonifacio Trial House** - In the house, erected in 1889 by its owner Teodorico Reyes, Andres Bonifacio, founder of the Katipunan was tried with his brother Procopio on May 1887 by a court-martial headed by Brigadier General Mariano Noriel.

**Don Vicente Somoza House** – A wealthy Chinese Mestizo who also assisted the Revolutionary Government of Pres. Emilio Aguinaldo. He is better known as one of the founders of the Filipino Chamber of Commerce & Representative of Mati (Davao) in Malolos Congress.

**Emiliano Riego de Dios Ancestral House** – An old structure reminiscent of the houses during Spanish Period, this house belongs to the illustrious Riego de Dios clan of Maragondon. Emiliano Riego de Dios was a revolutionary leader and the secretary-general of the "Asociacion de los Veteranos de la Revolucion".

**Gat Andres Bonifacio Memorial Shrine, Mt. Nagpatong** – The site of execution of Andres and Procopio Bonifacio on May 10, 1897.

### Naic

#### The Battle of Naik Site -

The place where Aguinaldo's forces decided to defend and make their last stand in Naic Church and made their compact. Signs of Spanish



cannonballs may still be found on the façade and sides of the church.



#### Casa Hacienda de Naic – the only existing casa

hacienda administered by friars in the Philippines that remains to be used at present. Located near

the Catholic Church, this is where Bonifacio and his followers entered into the Naik Military Agreement in which they form an army corps headed by Gen. Pio del Pilar, one of the bravest Generals in the Battle of Binakayan. The agreement created a rival government headed by Bonifacio, effectively rejecting the Aguinaldo-led government. It led to the eventual arrest of Bonifacio, who was held together with his brother Procopio in a cell located in Casa Hacienda before he was taken to Maragondon where he would be tried and later executed.

### Tagaytay

#### Tagaytay Ridge Landing Marker - Site of

the First Parachute landing in the Philippines executed by the 511th Parachute Infantry Regiment. 11th Airborne Division 8th Army, USA under Lt. Gen.



Robert Eichelberger with Major John P. M. Swing. GG on 3 February 1945. A marker was installed at the Silang crossing to commemorate the event.

**41st Division USAFFE Marker** - Tagaytay played a significant role in Philippine history. During World War II, Filipino soldiers found refuge in its vast forest and ridges. It was used as a landing site and sanctuary for paratroopers on their way to liberate Manila. The 41st USAFFE marker is one place where you will learn more about Tagaytay's rich political history.

### Natural Attractions

Cavite is a picturesque, scenic province providing a place conducive for both business and leisure and blessed with abundant natural wonders among its historical attractions and sites. These natural attractions are found in the upland area of the province.

## Upland Cavite

**Flower, Vegetables and Coffee Farm** – Along the windy slopes of the Tagaytay Ridge are greenhouse grown picture-pretty

flowers and ornamental plants. The cold climate and rich soil of Alfonso, Amadeo and Silang nurture many floral varieties such as chrysanthemums, carnations,



gerberas, different kinds of roses and anthuriums. Crisp greens plump tomatoes and other vegetables also grow in abundance in the uplands. The coffee farms in Amadeo are fast becoming tourist destinations with the implementation of the local government unit's Adopt-A-Farm Project.

## Amadeo

**Balite Falls** – Two falls could be seen in the area, one of which flows naturally gushing robust and clear water while the other one is outfitted with pipes and bamboo tubes to aid the flow of water with a deep part for adults and a shallow part for children.

## General Emilio Aguinaldo

**Malibicbic Falls** – A valley borders of Malibicbic Falls, where boulders cut across the middle of the gushing river waters cascading from the falls. Other rivers flow near the falls' large pond which could be viewed from atop one of the border hills of the valley. A large pool of water forms at the base of the falls while coconut trees, shrubs and other greenery flanks both sides.

**Timbugan River** – With overflow bridge that serves as a dike to impound water at the upstream of river sufficient for swimming.

## Indang

**Matala Cave** – One of the three caves in the province. The cave is a good site for an exploratory excursion.

**Palsahingin Falls** – A 50-ft tall gushing water into a dome-like river. Four chamber caves with stone formations are visible within the falls, three-meter stretch from the entrance.

**Pilitan Cave** – Good site for exploratory excursion and camping.

## Magallanes

**Sitio Buhay Unclassified Forest** – This forest is located in Brgy. San Agustin, Magallanes, Cavite which has natural features such as deep ravines, springs and various flora and fauna species.

**Utod River** - It is considered as the cleanest body of water in the province.

## Maragondon

**Cabag Cave** – The place is found at the bottom of a slope which runs down a steep angle to a brook. Lush greenery surrounds this little valley where Cabag Cave is located. Inside the cave, an underground river runs for about 50 meters inwards. A pool of water is formed immediately off the mouth of the cave leading to the river.

## Tagaytay

**Tagaytay Ridge** – Tagaytay City is known as the country's second summer capital next to Baguio. Its famous Tagaytay Ridge is part of the crater of an ancient volcano that collapsed many years ago. Within its collapsed volcano are the Taal Lake and Taal Volcano – renowned as the smallest volcano in the world. The ridge offers a panoramic view of this natural wonder, as well as picnic spots, accommodations and other recreational facilities.

## Ternate

### Mts. Palay Palay and Mataas Na Gulod National Park

– The lone national park declared under the National Integrated Protected Areas (NIPAS) Law is located in Ternate and Maragondon. The park covers three (3) peaks (Pico de Loro, Mt. Palay Palay and Mt. Mataas na Gulod). The park is noted for its indigenous and rare species of flora and fauna.

## Culture and Tradition

Caviteños are proud of their century-old traditions and very rich culture. Aside from the celebrations of town fiestas, the province of Cavite celebrates festivals as forms of thanksgiving for a bountiful harvest and in honor of its patron saints. Some of these festivals are also observed in honor of the historical legacies passed from one generation to another generation. There are also cultural rituals and special dances of thanksgiving in Cavite which manifest inherent religiosity, God-fearing attitude, warmth & hospitality, and potent greatness of Caviteño citizenry. The following list is the festivals celebrated in the province by city and municipality.

## Festivals

### Cavite City

**Regada Festival** – celebrated in Cavite City from June 17-24 since 1996, done in festivity of St. John the Baptist. The celebrations moniker was gotten from Spanish word "regar" which means to water or to sprinkle. The celebration involves games, street dancing, photo exhibit, trade fair, concerts, and water splashing. A fitting peak of the yearly celebration is the "Caracol ni San Juan Bautista".

### Kawit

**Maytinis Festival** – Maytinis is a dramatic retelling of the Virgin Mary and Joseph's search in Bethlehem for a place to stay. The reenactment happens on the streets of Kawit with different floats depicting different biblical scenes from





Adam and Eve up to Mary and Joseph. The "Panunuluyan" takes place in several houses and is done in singing until it reaches the 300-year-old St. Mary Magdalene Church of

Kawit where the Virgin Mary and Joseph are welcomed by angels in a giant "Belen" (Nativity Scene) which covers the whole Retablo or Altar of the church. The songs performed by the angels acted by little girls are mostly in Spanish and Tagalog.

## Tanza

**Lohitor Festival** – held every February 28, the "Lohitor", an acronym for "lobo" (balloon), "Higante" (giant), and "toro" (bull) showcases a grand street dancing, parade of bands, and other colorful activities for the feast of Tata Usteng (Saint Augustine), the town's patron saint.

**Sapyaw Festival** – Street dancing is done all over the streets of the municipality of Tanza every August 20 with their attractive and very colorful costumes. Various barangays join the dancing in honor of the feast of St. Augustine and to commemorate the day the municipality earned its name. At night, residents release sky lanterns and chase around a paper mache bull covered with fireworks (lulis).

## Rosario

**Tinapa Festival** – celebrated every October in the town of Rosario to promote and perpetuate the image of the municipality as the place where smoked fish called "Tinapang Salinas" originated.

## City of Bacoor

### Bakood Festival

– An annual celebration in honor of St. Michael The Archangel, the patron saint of



Bacoor. Spiced with a generous dose of service-oriented and fun-filled events guaranteed to boost tourism, promote trade and industry in the City of Bacoor, strengthen camaraderie and instill among its people a sense of pride and appreciation for their rich cultural heritage. The Festival is usually held for one-week that ends on the last Sunday of September, depicting Bacoor's tourism and historical legacy to attract visitors and investors.



### Marching Band Festival

– Past traditions on necrological rites for a departed and known personality in Bacoor showed that on the last night of the wake of a

deceased person, the invited marching band plays a serenade as a sign of the recognition and honor bestowed to the deceased. Then, on the funeral march, the marching bands accompany the deceased to the burial place. Finally, when the departed is laid to rest, the band plays joyful music symbolizing that the deceased is now happy joining his Creator.

**Tahong Festival** - celebrated in the city of Bacoor town plaza every September 29 wherein culinary contests, beauty contests, and tahong symposium and seminars are held.

## City of Imus

**Kakanindayog Festival** – celebrated to promote the native kakanin and other delicacies well known in the City like Puto Lunsong, and to honor the city's patroness Nueña Señor del Pilar and the founding anniversary of the city.

### Wagayway Festival

– celebrated every 28th of May to commemorate the Battle of Alapan and as a reminder that Imus was where the flag was first waved. The national government under Proclamation No. 373 Series of 2012 declared May 28 as the National Flag Day, a special non-working holiday for the city.



## City of Dasmariñas

**Paru-paro Festival** – The festival was first launched on November 26, 2011 during the Second Anniversary of the Cityhood of Dasmariñas to symbolize the City's transformation through the years. The festival depicts a parade of colorfully costumed street dancers and floats made up of butterflies. It is an annual event that features the metamorphosis of Dasmariñas from being a barrio to becoming a progressive city in the country

## Carmona

**Sorteo Festival** – The festival started in 1861. Carmona is the only municipality in the Philippines that observes a triennial draw of its communal lands among its locals. The local festival held every three years in February relives the old practice of distributing agricultural lots to farmers through raffle draws.



## Silang

**Silang Prutas Festival** – Celebrated every 2nd of February in honor of the town's patroness Our Lady of Calendaria, it is also a celebration and thanksgiving for bountiful fruits harvested in the municipality.

**Sumilang Festival** – A celebration and thanksgiving for bountiful fruits harvested in the municipality. It aims to promote tourism and improve the local economy and create a product identity for the town.

## City of General Trias

**Valenciana Festival** – A local fiesta in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It also showcases the local delicacy of Gen. Trias which is called "Valenciana", a Filipino Paella-like rice dish.

## Amadeo

**Pahimis Festival** – Also called the "Coffee Festival" as a way of thanksgiving for the abundant harvest of coffee in the municipality of Amadeo. It is held every 2nd week of February. Trade fairs, street dancing, beauty pageant, and coffee convention are the usual activities done during the occasion. Free-flowing drinking of coffee is offered to everybody.

## Indang

**Indang Day** – Celebrated in commemoration of the founding anniversary of Indang.

## Alfonso

**Sanghiyang Festival** – Recently conceived to preserve the local custom of "Sanghiyang", a dance ritual combining folk, religion and magic, performed every 1st week of December by the locals of Alfonso as thanksgiving for a bountiful harvest.

## Naic

### Bihisaka

**Festival** – Done every 15th of May at San Roque, Naic. The festival celebrates the feast of San Isidro Labrador, patron of farmers.



Carabaos and other farm animals are dressed, painted colorfully and adorned with other produce from the farm. People gather in a vacant space to watch the parade of these farm animals. The ritual is done every year as a way of thanksgiving for a bountiful harvest.

**Naikgikan Festival** – Celebrated every 1st of May to annually commemorate the history and founding of anniversary of the municipality of Naic.

## Magallanes

**Muscovado Festival** – Celebrated every 14th of August, this festival was initiated by Magallanes Women's Multi-purpose Cooperative (MAWCO) as a means to further promote Muzcovado de Magallanes.

## Maragondon

**Kawayan Festival** – First conceived and staged on September 7, 2003 coinciding with the Maragondon Day Celebration with groups of street dancers paraded in indigenous materials, an exhibit of bamboo products in the town plaza.

## Tagaytay City

**Pista ng mga Puso** – Celebrated every 14th of February to annually celebrate the town's patron, Our Lady of the Pillar. Karakol dancers are parading and marching all over Tagaytay City.

## Ternate

**Mardicas Festival** – Held every January 18. Fluvial parades carrying the image of Sto. Niño is held and continues in the streets of the municipality and ends in the churchyard. Karakol and street dancing in beautiful and colorful costumes with marching band music are held. The highlight of the said Festival is a competition depicting the war dance of the pirates depicting the Mardicas (People of the Sea). The first inhabitants of Ternate, worshipping the Sto. Niño.

## Cultural Rituals and Special Dances

**Mardicas Dance** – A war dance of the pirates that has become a custom in the town of Ternate. Participants carry with them a tabak in one hand and a balaraw on the other, fighting hard to save the image of Sto. Niño. That is how the Mardicas, the first inhabitants of Ternate from Mollucas, worshipped the image.

**Karakol Dance** – A religious procession dance with the patron saint being paraded on the streets followed by a fluvial procession.

### Live via Crusis / Kalbaryo ni Hesus

– A cultural tradition that reenacts the life of Jesus Christ done during Holy Week. This tradition which started in Cavite City was staged for the first time on Holy Tuesday of 1974. It was in response to the challenge of the late parish priest, Msgr. Baraquiel E. Mojica of San Roque, Cavite City to create a venue for a more meaningful celebration of the Holy Week.



**Sanghiyang / Sayaw sa Apoy** – A precolonial ritual celebrated by firewalkers of Alfonso. It combines elements of folk religion, magic and Christian faith. It is a gesture of thanksgiving and a rite to cure the sick. People conducted "Sanghiyang" rituals as an offering to Bathala for a bountiful harvest, thanksgiving for recovery from illness, or deliverance from death. The ritual is believed to have started from Naic long before the arrival of the Spaniards and the friars suppressed its observance. The people learned to incorporate same Catholic elements into the rituals and the majority of the spirits invoked are presumed Christian saints.



## Old Churches

Cavite's old churches stand as glorious reminders of how the Catholic faith bloomed from the time Spain conquered our dear province until the time that Caviteños revolted to achieve freedom. These places did not only serve as places of worship but as silent refuge and witnesses of revolutionary activities. The following are the old churches in the province:

### Cavite City

**San Pedro Apostol Parish Church** - A revival of the old church of the same name which was put up between 1586 and 1591.

**Nuestra Señora dela Soledad de Porta Vaga, San Roque Parish Church** – The church was built in 1632. The Nuestra Señora dela Soledad de Porta Vaga is the beloved patroness of Cavite City.

### Kawit

**St. Mary Magdalene Church** – The church is one of the oldest churches in the Philippines. Established by the Jesuits when the town in 1624 was considered as the playground of sailors on shore leave, the church transformed the town of Kawit into "the most Christian community in the islands" in 1749.

### City of Bacoor

**St. Michael the Archangel Church** – It was created as a separate parish from Kawit on January 18, 1792, under the Royal Cedula issued by Ferdinand VI, King of Spain, to the Spanish Governor-General in the Philippines.

### City of Imus

**Cathedral of Our Lady Pillar / Imus Cathedral** – The church was built between 1825 – 1837. The church is an example of Hispanic colonial architecture and exudes an ambiance conducive to monastic life and spiritual meditation.

### Silang

**Our Lady of Candelaria Church** – An example of a colonial church with rococo altars. It was established as a parish by the Franciscans on February 3, 1595. The first church got burned on August 30, 1603.

## Fiestas

**Table 4.49 Fiesta Dates by Parish and City/Municipality, Province of Cavite 2020**

City/Municipality	Patron Saint	Fiesta Date
<b>1<sup>st</sup> District</b>		
Cavite City	San Roque	2nd Sunday of November
Kawit	St. Mary Magdalene	every July 22
Noveleta	Holy Cross	May 2-3
Rosario	Most Holy Rosary	every May 22
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> District</b>		
City of Bacoor	St. Michael the Archangel	2nd Sunday of May
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> District</b>		
City of Imus	Our Lady of the Pillar	every October 12
<b>4<sup>th</sup> District</b>		
City of Dasmarinas	Immaculate Concepcion	every December 8

## City of General Trias

**St. Francis of Assissi Church / General Trias Church** – Built as early as 1611 but the first stone church was erected in 1769 under the leadership of Doña Maria Josepha de Yrizzari Y Ursula, Countess of Lizarraga.

### Tanza

**Holy Cross Church** – Built in 1839 and restored in 1873 after a strong earthquake had caused its collapse. The original structure was the site where Emilio Aguinaldo took his oath as President of the Revolutionary Government along with Vice President Mariano Trias.

### Indang

**St. Gregory the Great Church** – The structure originated from a chapel that was built in 1611. Construction of the church was completed before 1710. The church is unique in its hand-painted trompe l'oeil ceiling, an optical illusion that makes objects appear to exist in three dimensions.

### Alfonso

**St. John Nepomucene Church** – The church was built on the 20<sup>th</sup> of January 1861. It has a classy façade with a minimal brick pattern and a clean line that stands out. The church is now famous for church weddings.

### Naic

**La Purisima Concepcion Parish Church / Immaculate Conception Parish Church** – The Dominicans built it in the same Gothic style of the Sto. Domingo Church between 1867 – 1888. It sits in the center of the former Dominican hacienda of San Isidro Labrador which funded the development of the University of Santo Tomas during the Spanish colonial period.

### Ternate

**Sto. Niño Church** – Known for the original Sto. Niño statue brought by the first settlers who arrived from Ternate Island, in the Moluccas, eastern Indonesia. Jesuit missionaries established the parish in 1663, but the first stone church was not built until 1692.

City/Municipality	Patron Saint	Fiesta Date
<b>5<sup>th</sup> District</b>		
Carmona	St. Joseph	every March 19
Gen. M. Alvarez	Holy Family	4th Sunday of January
Silang	Our Lady of Candelaria	every February 2
<b>6<sup>th</sup> District</b>		
City of Gen. Trias	St. Francis of Assisi	every October 4
<b>7<sup>th</sup> District</b>		
Amadeo	St. Mary Magdalene	Last Sunday of April
Indang	St. Gregory the Great	2nd Sunday of May
Tanza	Holy Cross	every August 28
Trece Martires City	St. Jude Thaddeus	every October 28
<b>8<sup>th</sup> District</b>		
Alfonso	St. John Nepomucene	every May 16
Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo	St. Joseph	2nd Sunday of February
Magallanes	Nuestra Señora de Guia	last Sunday of January
Maragondon	Our Lady of Assumption	every August 15
Mendez	Saint Augustine	1st Sunday of May
Naic	Immaculate Conception	every December 8
Tagaytay City	Our Lady of Lourdes	every February 11
Ternate	Sto. Niño	every January 6

Source: Provincial Tourism and Cultural Affairs Office (PTCAO)

## Diocese of Imus

Table 4.50 List of Parishes and Parish Priests by Episcopal District and Vicariate, Diocese of Imus: 2020

Parishes	Titular	Priest
<b>Bishop of Imus:</b>	<b>Most Rev. Reynaldo G. Evangelista, D.D.</b>	
<b>Bishop Emeritus:</b>	<b>Most Rev. Manuel C. Sobreviñas, D.D.</b>	
<b>Vicar General:</b>	<b>Rev. Fr. George A. Morales</b>	
<b>North Cavite: Episcopal District of St. Matthew</b>		
<b>Episcopal Vicar: Fr. Ruel D. Castañeda</b>		
Bacoor Proper	St. Michael The Archangel	Fr. Oliver L. Genuino Fr. Ryan serafin P. Sasis Fr. Gilberto D. Urubio
Andrea	St. Martin De Porres	Fr. Ariel M. Lisama
Perpetual Village VII	Our Mother of Perpetual Help	Fr. Benito D. De Castro
Aniban	San Lorenzo Ruiz	Fr. Rodolfo A. Pascual
Salinas, Bacoor	Our Lady Queen of Peace	Fr. Alex R. Varias
San Nicolas/ Bayanan	Holy Trinity	Fr. Honorato N. Naty
Vista Verde, Mambog, Bacoor	St. Jude Thaddeus	Fr. Emmanuel O. David
Bacoor Proper	St. Michael The Archangel	Fr. Oliver L. Genuino Fr. Ryan serafin P. Sasis Fr. Gilberto D. Urubio
<b>Vicariate of Sto Niño</b>		
<b>Vicar Forane: Fr. Danilo B. Paraiso, JR.</b>		
Soldier's Hills	Our Lady of Fatima	Fr. Efren M. Bugayong
Queen's Row	Our Lady Queen of Peace	Fr. Calixto C. Lumandas Fr. Adrian Nicolas L. Rañola
Camella Springville	Inay Maria ng Magnificat	Fr. Antonio A. Roxas
Springville Heights	Our mother of Perpetual Help	Fr. Carlito J. Laureta
Molino	Sto. Niño De Molino	Fr. Ruel D. Castañeda Fr. Alvin M. Presco
Addas Village 2	Nuestra Sra. De la Paz Y Buenviaje	Fr. Danilo B. Paraiso, Jr.
Citihomes Subdivision	Our lady of the sacred heart	Fr. Ginu Pathiyaka, MSFS Fr. Anishmon Joseph, MSFS Fr. Nathaniel E. Masendo, MSFS
Georgetown Heights Chapel	St. Joseph The Worker	Fr. Jundie Sumagaysay, MSFS Fr. Rono Fernandis, MSFS
<b>Vicariate of Our Lady of the Pillar</b>		
<b>Vicar Forane: Fr. Benjamin A. Francisco</b>		
Imus Cathedral	Our Lady of the Pillar	Fr. George A. Morales Fr. Ned P. Nazareno Fr. Knoriel A. Alvarez Fr. Ronel O. Dizon, TC
Anabu I	Our Lady of Fatima	Fr. Benjamin A. Francisco
Anabu II	Our Lady of Fatima	Fr. Teodorico D. Santiago
Bucandala	Immaculate Heart of Mary	Fr. Bernardo I. Gacelo Fr. Ryan M. Baltazar
Lancaster	Holy Family	Fr. Engelbert A. Bagnas
Malagasang II	Mary Mother of God	Fr. Teodoro B. Bawalan
Greengate, Malagasang II	St. Martha	Fr. Melencio F. Sandoval
Buhay na Tubig	St. James the Greater	Fr. Danilo C. Tiong

Parishes	Titular	Priest
<b>North-West Cavite: Episcopal District of St. John</b>		
<b>Episcopal Vicar: Fr. Leoben O. Peregrino</b>		
<b>Vicariate of St. Mary Magdalene</b>		
<b>Vicar Forane: Fr. Alfredo A. Marampa</b>		
Kawit Proper	St. Mary Magdalene	Fr. Armando P. Manaog
Sta. Isabel, Kawit	Nuestra Sra. De La Soledad	Fr. Dominador C. Duroy, Jr.
Binakayan	Our Lady of Fatima	Fr. AlFr.edo A. Maramara
		Fr. Leonardo R. Bagos
		Fr. Julius R. De Sagun
Noveleta	Holy Cross	Fr. Paul D. De Leon
		Fr. Achilles Secio, OSA
San Pedro, Cavite City	San Pedro Apostol	Fr. Hector S. Arellano
San Antonio, Cavite City	San Antonio De Padua	Fr. Ferdinand A, Leaño
San Roque, Cavite City	San Roque	Fr. Dominador B. Medina
		Fr. Dennis P. Dueñas
<b>Vicariate of Holy Cross</b>		
<b>Vicar Forane: Fr. Ronel D. Ilano</b>		
Rosario	Most Holy Rosary	Fr. Leoben O. Peregrino
		Fr. Renato C. Alegre
Ligtong, Rosario	San Isidro Labrador	Fr. Monico E. Tagulao
Tanza Proper	Santa Cruz	Fr. Virgilio S. Mendoza
		Fr. Glenn C. De la Peña
Amaya, Tanza	Our lady of the Holy Rosary	Fr. Roberto C. Capino
Julugan, Tanza	Resurrection of the Lord	Fr. Elorde T. Gomez
Paradahan, Tanza	St. John Paul II	Fr. Ronel D. Ilano
<b>Vicariate of Our Lady of Assumption</b>		
<b>Vicar Forane: Fr. Samuel D. Lubrica</b>		
Magallanes	Nuestra Sra. De Guia	Fr. Jerry C. Belen
Maragondon	Our Lady of the Assumption	Fr. Mario G. De Leon
Bucal, Maragondon	San Antonio De Padua	Fr. Samuel D. Lubrica
Temate	Sto. Niño De Temate	Fr. Nestor P. Chavez
Naic Proper	Immaculate Concepcion	Fr. Nestor Isagani P. Aviñante
		Fr. Daniel F. Polzer
San Roque, Naic	San Isidro Labrador	Fr. Lordencio D. Honrada
Bancaan, Naic	Sto. Niño De Bancaan	Fr. Frederick A. Tacderas
<b>East Cavite: Episcopal District of St. Luke</b>		
<b>Episcopal Vicar: Fr. Agustin M. Baas</b>		
<b>Vicariate of St. Francis of Assisi</b>		
<b>Vicar Forane: Fr. Herminigildo M. Asilo</b>		
Trece Martires City Cavite	St. Jude Thaddeus	Fr. Agustin M. Baas
		Fr. Mayolene Joseph G. Mayola
		Fr. Alain P. Manalo (Resident)
Inocencio, Trece Martires	San Gregorio Magno	Fr. Gilbert G. Villas
Gen. Trias Proper	St. Francis of Assisi	Fr. Inocencio B. Poblete, Jr.
		Fr. Armando C. Timajo
Pasong Camachile, Gen. Trias	The Annunciation	Fr. Doroteo S. Andres
San Francisco, Gn. Trias	San Gabriel Arkanghel	Fr. Maximo S. Pangilinan
Manggaham, Gen. Trias	St. Vincent Ferrer	Fr. Herminigildo M. Asilo
Javalera, Gen. Trias	Our Lady of Guadalupe	Fr. Jose S. Demoy
<b>Vicariate of Our Lady of Immaculate Conception</b>		
<b>Vicar Forane: Fr. Antonio P. Perez, Jr.</b>		
Dasmariñas Proper	Immaculate conception	Fr. Orlando R. Santos
		Fr. Reinier R. Dumaop
Amuntay, Dasmariñas	Our lady of miraculous medal	Fr. Jesus G. Nasinopa
Salitran, Dasmariñas	Our lady of Fatima	Fr. Gilbert L. Reyes
Pala Pala, Dasmariñas	Ang Mabuting Pastol	Fr. Antonio P. Perez, Jr.
Burol (Summerwind), Dasmariñas	San Lorenzo Ruiz	Fr. Henrico T. Tagalog
Langkaan, Dasmariñas	St. Paul	Fr. Manuelito L. Villas
<b>Vicariate of Our Mother of Perpetual Help</b>		
<b>Vicar Forane: Fr. Miguel R. Concepcion III</b>		
DBB-A, Dasmariñas	Our Mother of Perpetual Help	Fr. Linon N. De Castro
		Fr. GeofFr.ey G. Zacarias
DBB-C, Dasmariñas	Sacred heart of Jesus	Fr. Percival L. Sapin
DBB-E, Dasmariñas	St. Mary Euphrasia	Fr. Francis D. Fr.ane
Bautista, Dasmariñas (LUZVIMINDA IV)	Heus Nazareno	Fr. Teofilo Perey, SVD
		Fr. Glorioso Salvatierra, SVD
Paliparan, Dasmariñas	Kristong Hari	Fr. Claro P. Sumague
Salawag, Dasmariñas	Mary Immaculate	Fr. Erwin Tom A. Esquejo, SHMI
		Fr. Alberto J. Failago, SHMI
San Marino City, Salawag	Pope St. John XXIII	Fr. Miguel R. Concepcion III



Parishes	Titular	Priest
<b>South-East Cavite: Episcopal District of St. Mark</b>		
<b>Episcopal Vicar: Fr. Conrado N. Amon</b>		
<b>Vicariate of Our Lady of Candelaria</b>		
<b>Vicar Forane: Fr. Luisito C. Gatdula</b>		
Carmona	San Jose	Fr. Maximo B. Bermudez
Lantik, Carmona	Nuestra Sra. Del Santissimo Rosario	Fr. Orlando A. Jimenez
General Mariano Alvarez (GMA)	The Holy Family	Fr. Marino P. Limbag
		Fr. Herald Mart C. Arenal
San Jose, General Mariano Alvarez	St. Joseph the Worker	Fr. Roberto D. Peralta, OFMCap
		Fr. Roberto V. San Diego, OFMCap
Silang Proper	Our Lady of Candelaria	Fr. Marty A. Dimaranan
		Fr. Eric M. Orcullo
Bulihan, Silang	The Risen Christ	Fr. Eleomer G. Dendiego
Pooc, Silang	San Antonio De Padua	Fr. Luisito C. Gatdula
		Fr. Michael P. Dulnuan
Westgrove, Silang	St. Benedict	Fr. Conrado N. Amon
Lalaan II, Silang	St. John Marie Vianney	Fr. Arnel R. Valderama
Biluso, Silang	Divine Mercy	Fr. EFr.en S. Araracap, JR.
<b>Vicariate of the Seven Archangels</b>		
<b>Vicar Forane: Fr. Allan C. Valero</b>		
Gen. Aguinaldo	St. Joseph	Fr. Christian B. Borabo
Mendez	St. Augustine	Fr. Allan C. Valero
		Fr. Dennis B. Beltran
Amadeo	St. Mary Magdalene	Fr. Alvin C. Chavez
Alfonso Proper	St. John Nepomucene	Fr. Ariel A. De Los Reyes
Indang Proper	St. Gregory the Great	Fr. Alex Melchor P. Tupas
		Fr. Dionisio Vargas Palingping
Kaytitinga, Alfonso	St. Joseph	Fr. Josue R. Muldon, Fdccc
Lumampong, Indang	St. Vincent Ferrer	Fr. Geofrey E. Ebalobo
Lourdes, Tagaytay City	Our Lady of Lourdes	Fr. William T. Bustamante, OFMCap
		Fr. Flavio M. Lacson, OFMCap
		Fr. Francis M. Mesina, OFMCap
Sungay, Tagaytay City	Ina ng Laging Saklolo	Fr. Zacarias M. Parra, OFMCap
		Fr. Edmundo A. Tiamson, OFMCap
		Fr. Agapito Feniz, OFMCap
<b>Vicariate of the Chaplains of Migrant Workers</b>		
Nice, France		Fr. Bernie B. Alejo
		Fr. Guerrero C. Clavero (retired)
Barcelona, Spain		Fr. Antonio J. Laureta
<b>Special Assignments</b>		
Episcopal Vicar for Catholic Education and Superintendent of Diocesan Schools		Fr. Alain P. Manalo
Tahanan ng Mabuting Pastol Seminary-Mag-asawang Ilat, Tagaytay City	Rector	Fr. Michael Reuben R. Cron
	Spiritual director	Fr. Randel M. Marero
Our Lady of the Pillar Seminary, Buhay na Tubig, Imus Cavite	Rector	Fr. James M. Andes
	Spiritual Directors	Fr. Randy S. De Jesus
		Fr. Serafin S. Parcon, Jr.
De La Salle University- Dasmariñas	Chaplain	Fr. Mark Anthony T. Reyes
DLSU-Health Sciences Institute, Dasmariñas, Cavite	Chaplain	Fr. Aloysius Joseph M. Cosina
DLSU-UMC, Dasmariñas, Cavite	Chaplain	Fr. Istevanus Suharna, MS
Pinagpalang Kamay Healing Center, Binakayan, Kawit, Cavite	Healing Minister	Fr. Corsie S. Legaspi
Episcopal Vicar for Catholic Education and Superintendent of Diocesan Schools		Fr. Alain P. Manalo
Tahanan ng Mabuting Pastol Seminary-Mag-asawang Ilat, Tagaytay City	Rector	Fr. Michael Reuben R. Cron
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Pinagpalang Kamay Healing Center, Binakayan, Kawit, Cavite	Healing Minister	Fr. Corsie S. Legaspi
<b>Spiritual Directors</b>		
Adoracion Nocturna		Fr. Luisito C. Gatdula
Apostolado ng Panalangin		Fr. Jose S. Demoy
Catholic Women's League		Fr. Armando P. Manaog

Parishes	Titular	Priest
Charismatic Movement		Fr. Benjamin A. Francisco
Couples for Christ (Foundation for Family and Life)		Fr. Oliver L. Genuino
Couples for Christ (Global)		Fr. Oliver L. Genuino
Cursillo Movement		Fr. Doroteo S. Andres
Divine Mercy Apostolate		Fr. EFr.en S. Araracap, Jr.
Knights of the Altar		Fr. Roberto C. Capino
Knights of Columbus		Fr. Ronel D. Ilano
Legion of Mary		Fr. Renato C. Alegre
Mother of Butler Guild		Fr. Oliver L. Genuino
Neocatechumenal way		Fr. AlFr.edo A. Maramara
Worldwide Marriage Encounter		Fr. Alain P. Manalo
Association of St. John Marie Vianney		Fr. Arnel R. Valderama

Source: Diocese of Imus, City of Imus, Cavite

## Museums

**Table 4.51 List of Museums, Province of Cavite 2020**

Name of Museums	Location
15th Strike Wing	Cavite City
Cavite City Library & Museum	Cavite City
Naval Museums	Naval Museum facility Pascual Ledesma Sangley Point, Cavite City
Cavite Studies Center	De La Salle University - Dasmariñas
Museo De La Salle	De La Salle University - Dasmariñas
GBR Museums	Gateway Business Park, Brgy. Javalera, Gen. Trias
Baldomero Aguinaldo Shrine	Kawit, Cavite
Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo Shrine	Kawit, Cavite
Museo Ng Paglilitis Ni Bonifacio (Bonifacio Trial House)	Maragondon, Cavite
Noveleta Tribunal House	Poblacion, Noveleta
PNPA Museums	Camp Gen. Mariano N. Castañeda, Silang, Cavite
Museo Orlina	Hollywood Subd. Rd., Brgy. Tolentino East, Hollywood Subd., Tagaytay City
Puzzle Mansion (Specialty Museum)	Purok 4 Cuadra St. Brgy Asisan,
Cavite Provincial Library	Legislative Bldg. Provincial Capitol, TMC

Source: Provincial Tourism and Cultural Affairs Office (PTCAO)

## Golf Courses

### City of Dasmariñas

**The Orchard Golf and Country Club** – It has two 18-hole golf courses, located in Aguinaldo Hi-way, City of Dasmariñas, each designed by a world-renowned golf architect. “The Tradition” and “The Legacy” were designed by Gary Player and Arnold Palmer, respectively.

### City of General Trias

**Eagle Ridge Golf and Country Club** – Eagle Ridge, located in Brgy. Javalera has the largest golfing facility in the country at the moment that features a golf course to suit all skill levels and playing preferences with four championship courses designed by Isao Aoki, Andy Dye, Nick Faldo, and Greg Norman.

### Carmona

**Manila Southwoods Golf & Country Club** – Located in Southwoods Avenue, Cabilang Baybay, Carmona, the two 18-hole Jack Nicklaus signature courses are playable here. Challenges from “The Masters” course come mainly from water hazards and sand bunkers spread throughout, while challenges from “The Legends” course comes from its multiple changes in elevation.

### Silang

**Riviera Golf and Country Club** – Fred Couples and Bernhard Langer designed the two world-class golf courses. The Riviera golf courses have state-of-the-art irrigation systems that prevent flooding during the rainy season.

### Trece Martires City

**Sherwood Hills Golf Club** – The golf course is located in Brgy. Cabuco Lallana and one of the most unique Nicklaus courses in the world. He designed this course to be a much greater challenge, veering away from his usual wide fairways, greens, and bunkers. Tee shots across water hazards and cogon grass lining the fairways makes accuracy a must to score well in Sherwood Hills.

### Alfonso

**Royale Tagaytay Country Club** – Located in Buck Estate, The Tagaytay Highlands International Golf Club, Inc. is home to Asia’s most exciting golf course, as well as a plethora of sports and recreation amenities for golfers and non-golfers alike. It showcases the country’s first and only cable car system that provides magnificent views of the golf course and the countryside. The renowned American golf architect Richard Bigler designed the 18-hole Tagaytay Highlands Golf Course. It seamlessly blends man-

made ingenuity with the natural contours of the Tagaytay landscape, resulting in a variety of daring challenges.

## Ternate

**Puerto Azul Beach and Country Club** – Located in Brgy. Sapang, Puerto Azul is a par 72 course that is one of the most scenic in the country, and proud of its very famous combination of mountain and sea. Its signature hole is number 17, a par 3 hole delineated by one of the deepest water hazards in the Philippine Golf – the West Philippine Sea.

## Tagaytay City

**Tagaytay Highlands International Golf and Country Club** – The Tagaytay Highlands International Golf Club, Inc. is home to Asia's most exciting golf course, as well as a plethora of sports and recreation amenities for golfers and non-golfers alike. It showcases the country's first and only cable car system that provides magnificent views of the golf course and the countryside. Designed by renowned American golf architect Richard Bigler, the 18-hole Tagaytay Highlands Golf Course seamlessly blends man-made ingenuity with the natural contours of the Tagaytay landscape, resulting in a variety of daring challenges like our 13th tee, which is situated no less than 84 meters above the green, and our 18th hole, which poses the test of a 150-yard-wide gully.

## DOT Accredited Establishment

**Table 4.52 Department of Tourism (DOT) Accredited Tourism Establishment, Province of Cavite: as of March 2020.**

Name of Establishment	Location
<b>Hotel</b>	
Abagatan Hotels Inc.	9021 Amuyong Kaytitinga Road, Amuyong Alfonso Cavite 4123 Tagaytay City
Escala Tagaytay	
Hotel Dominique	Km. 55 Aguinaldo Highway, Brgy. Maitim II, Tagaytay City Cavite
Hotel Kimberly Tagaytay	Kaybagal North, Tagaytay City, Cavite
Taal Vista Hotel	Nat'l Rd. Brgy. Kaybagal, Tagaytay City Cavite
Microtel by Wyndham-Eagle Ridge	Eagle Ridge Golf and Country Club, Amadeo Road, General Trias, Cavite
Microtel by Wyndham-South Forbes	South Boulevard, South Forbes Golf City, Brgy. Inchican, Silang, Cavite
Hotel Carlito Tagaytay, Inc.	9005 Tolentino Ave., Brgy. San Jose, Tagaytay City
Hotel Monticello	Km 60 Emilio Aguinaldo Highway Kaybagal South Tagaytay City
One Tagaytay Place Hotel Suites	455 Brgy. Sungay West, Tagaytay City Cavite
The Bayleaf Hotel	Governor's Drive, Brgy. Manggahan General Trias Cavite
Tagaytay Viewpark Hotel	3500 Calamba Road, Sungay East, Tagaytay City, Cavite
Tagaytay Wingate Manor	Magallanes Drive Maitim 2nd West, Tagaytay City, Cavite
The Junction Tagaytay	9006 J.P. Rizal St. Tagaytay City Cavite
The Lake Hotel Tagaytay Inc.	KM 58, Aguinaldo Highway, Brgy. Maharlika West, Tagaytay City
Tanza Oasis Hotel and Resort	KM. 41 a. Soriano Highway, Brgy. Capipisa, Tanza, Cavite
Splash Suites	Barangay Bagong Tubig, Tagaytay City
Summit Ridge Hotel	KM 58, Aguinaldo Highway, Brgy. Maharlika West, Tagaytay, City, Cavite

Name of Establishment	Location
White Woods Convention & Leisure Hotel	8345 National Road, Brgy. Tartaria, Puting Kahoy, Silang, Cavite
Brizo Hotel & Mountain View Resort	Purok 5, Brgy. Cabangan, Silang, Cavite
Quest Hotel Tagaytay	For a Rotunda Tagaytay, General Emilio Aguinaldo Highway, Silang East, Tagaytay City, Cavite
<b>Resort</b>	
Anya Hotels and Resorts Corporation	Buenavista Hills Road, Tagaytay City, Cavite
Nurture Wellness Village Inc.	7310 Pulong Sagingan Maitim, 2nd West, Tagaytay City, Cavite
Mount Sea Resort Hotel and Restaurant	163 Marseille St. Bagbag II Rosario, Cavite
<b>Mabuhay Accommodation</b>	
Tubigan Garden Resort	343 Paliparan III, Dasmariñas
Violet's Hotel and Resort Inc.	Aguinaldo Highway, Zone IV, Dasmariñas City
Aquamira Hotel and Resort Inc.	Saddle and Clubs Leisure Park, Brgy. Tanauan, Tanza
5r Room For Rent	III Sungay North, Tagaytay Cavite
Bali Village Hotel Resort and Spa	Tagaytay City
Cabins by Ecohotel	Lot 7V, Silang Junction, Tagaytay City, Cavite
Casa Verde Hotel & Events Center	Imus City
Cct- Tagaytay Retreat and Training Center	Kaykulot Road, Brgy. Sungay North, Tagaytay City
Containers by Eco Hotel	SVD Road, San Jose, Tagaytay City, Cavite
Elegant Star Apartelle	Nha Subdivision, Maharlika East, Tagaytay City, Cavite
KI Tagaytay Rental Management Corp.	Tagaytay-Calamba Road, Brgy. San Jose, Tagaytay City
Knights Ko Suites	Brgy. Francisco East, Calamba Road, Tagaytay City
Lee Boutique Hotel Tagaytay	Brgy. San Jose, Calamba Road, Tagaytay City
Monalisa Tourist Inn Inc.	Tagaytay City
Royale Tagaytay Country Club, Inc.	Km 68 Emilio Aguinaldo Highway, Brgy. Buck State, Alfonso
Tagaytay Country Hotel	Olivarez Plaza, E. Aguinaldo Hi-Way, Brgy. San Jose, Tagaytay City
The Boutique Bed And Breakfast	45 Aguinaldo Highway Silang Junction East Tagaytay City
The Grandmaster Hotel	169 Isaac Tolentino Ave., Brgy. Tolentino East, Brgy. Tagaytay City
The Spa & Lodge at Tagaytay Highlands, Inc.	Tagaytay Highlands Complex, Brgy. Calabuso, Tagaytay City
Villa Marinelli Bed and Breakfast	301 Santa Rossa Road, Brgy. San Jose, Tagaytay City, Cavite
Hill Creek Gardens Tagaytay Inc.	134 Alfonso Road, Brgy. Sikat, Alfonso
Marah Dalciano Resort Inc.	0410 Aguinaldo-Alfonso Road Brgy Maragan I Alfonso Cavite
Hacienda Isabella	Indang
Sonya Garcia's Secret Cottage Restaurant Inc.	Buck Estate, Alfonso, Cavite
Patio Buendia Farm Resort and Events Place	Crisanto M. Delos Reyes Avenue, Brgy. Banay-Banay, Amadeo, Cavite
Radiant Star Apartelle	Aguinaldo Highway, Silang Crossing West, Tagaytay City, Cavite
<b>Travel and Tour Agency</b>	
4J Ikang Travel and Tours	1st Floor Potente Bldg. Brgy. Bagumbayan, General Trias City
A Whole New World Travel Express	Block 9, Lot 6, Perpetual Ville 8, Bacoor City, Cavite
APD Travel And Tours Services	SM Center Molino, Unit 17, Service Lane Molino IV, Bacoor City, Cavite
Anizel's Ticketing Travel and Tours	The District Imus, Ayala Malls, Imus City, Cavite
Best Wing Travel and Tours	M. Kiamzon Street, Silang, Cavite
Blessed Genesis Travel Management and Consultancy, Inc.	Limbo Building, San Agustin, Trece Martires City, Cavite



Name of Establishment	Location
Bonjour Travel and Tours	Blk 14 Lot 16 Green Breeze Village 1, Langkaan 2, Dasmariñas City
Byahe Ni Juan Travel and Tours	Cavite City, Cavite
Brutus Tours Services	R2 Tirona Hi-way Brgy. Balsahan, Binakayan, Kawit, Cavite
Casman Travel and Tours	245 Malagasang II-A Main Road, Imus City
Cct- Tagaytay Retreat and Training Center	G#3 Commercial Block Sta. Rosa Heights, Puting Kahoy, Silang
Cheonsa Tours and Travel Consultancy	Unit 19 Amethyst Bldg. Sampaloc 1 Dasmariñas, Cavite
Citi Lite Travel and Tours/Phil. Explorer	LGF SM City, Sampaloc 1, Dasmariñas City, Cavite
Ctph Lifestyle & Travel Service	General Emilio Aguinaldo, Imus City, Cavite
E.T.A. Travel and Tours	2060 NE Bucandala III, City of Imus, Cavite
Emsea Travel Hub	Blk 3 Lot 42, J.P. Rizal St., Georgetown Subd., Molino 4, Bacoor City, Cavite
Galamore Travel and Tours	Unit 2, Plaza S, Santa Rosa-Tagaytay Road, Silang, Cavite
Gateway Tours International, Inc.	Upper Ground Floor Carpark, 156 SM City Dasmariñas, Dasmariñas City
Glrn Tours & Travel Services	Jose Abad Santos Avenue, Dasmariñas City, Cavite
Harimanok Tours and Event	122 Aguinaldo Highway, Brgy. Buho Silang Cavite
HBB Travel and Tours	Unit 09, Lantic Commercial Center, Carmona Estates, Carmona, Cavite
Jan Eight Travel and Tours Incorporated	#2 Bautista Street, Corner Inocencio Street, Phase 2, M. Espeleta 1, Imus City, Cavite
JVLA Easy Travel and Tours	31 Antero Soriano Highway, Ibayo Silangan, Naic, Cavite
Jac And Astrid Travel and Tours	G/F Divimart, Governor's Drive, Manggahan, Gen. Trias, Cavite
JMX Travel and Tours	Block 4, Lot 4, Barcelona Drive Homes 1, Buhay na Tubig, Imus City
Mooncake Educational Travel and Tours	Manila-Cavite Boulevard, Sta. Cruz, Brgy. 13, Cavite City, Cavite
M.A.P Travel and Tours	Block 13, Lot 4, Unit F, Mary Homes Subd., Molino IV, Bacoor City, Cavite
Mauec Travel Services	Unit F 2/F One Cerez Bldg., Carsadang Bago, Imus City
Tre-Zhur Travel Agency	M3 Building, J. Miranda Street, Sta. Cruz, Cavite City, Cavite
Migz Travels and Tour Services	29 Avenida St, Phase 2A, Bahayang Pag-asa, Molino, Bacoor City, Cavite
Pakisuyo Travel and Tours	Camerino Corner San Juan Street, Dasmariñas City, Cavite
Port-2-Port Travel and Tours	Trece-Indang Road, Trece Martires City, Cavite
Primerose Travel and Tours	C6 La Vivienda I, Ilaya Street, Bacoor City, Cavite
Quasar Travel and Tours	Unit 2 Civic Center Bldg., LTO Compound, Palico IV, Imus City
Rivanna Travel and Tours	278 Medicion II-C, Imus City
Royce Travel and Tours	Unit 07 #9033 Molino Road, Molino IV, Bacoor City
Sea Miles Travel and Tours	Unit 3B A&M Ramos Bldg., Aguinaldo Highway, Bayan Luma 2, Imus City
Seventh Advent Travel and Tours	128 Gen. Yengco, Unit-F 2/F Kelailyn Commercial Bldg., Imus City
Skyavenue Travel and Tours	Sta. Cruz Street, Brgy. Poblacion IV, Tanza
Strikers Travel Services	9150 Unit # 2nd Floor Daang Hari Commercial Complex Daang Hari Road Pasong Buaya 2, Imus Cavite
Sunshiny Day Travel and Tours	68 Don P. Campos Ave., Cantimbuhan Complex, Zone 4, Dasmariñas City, Cavite

Name of Establishment	Location
Supertrip Travel and Tours	HLR Building, Unit 3, Blk 2 Lot 28, Bayang Luma IV, Imus City, Cavite
Starz Travel and Tours Services	Unit 2 2/F Tamio Bldg., Tanza-Trece Road, Paradahan II, Tanza
Takefive Outdoors Travel and Adventures Inc.	B12 L1 PH 2A Grand Riverside Subdivision, Pasong Camachile I, General Trias City
Tobs Travel and Tours	Blk 29 Lot 1 Ph 2 Bellavita Homes (Commercial) General Trias Cavite
Travel Right Corp.	Space 3, LGF Vista Mall Daang Hari, Molino IV, Bacoor City Cavite
Travel M8 Express Co.	2F U-205, FGC Building, Airborne Street, Maharlika East, Tagaytay City, Cavite
Travel Matterstour Services	Unit 5 BACEMCO Bldg., Brgy. Bayanan, Bacoor City, Cavite
Travelbucks International Co.	KM 17 Gen. E Aguinaldo Hi-way, Panapaan 6, Bacoor City, Cavite
Travel Lovin and Tours, Inc	D. San Jose Building, Aguinaldo Highway, Panapaan I, Bacoor City, Cavite
Tre-Zhur Travel Agency	M3 Building, J. Miranda Street, Sta. Cruz, Cavite City, Cavite
TIFSS Travel and Tours	4665 BE Unit 2, Molino Blvd, Molino 2, Bacoor City, Cavite
Viajeng Pinoy Travel and Adventure	101 Talaba I, Bacoor City, Cavite
<b>Agri-Touism Farm Site</b>	
Amadeo Nurture Farmacy, Incorporated	416 Pulong Sagingan, Talon, Amadeo, Cavite
Bounty Harvest Farm/Crooc Agri-Tourism	Ulo River, Buna Cerca, Indang, Cavite
The Weekend Farmer	Purok 2, Kaysuyo, Alfonso, Cavite
Terra Verde Eco Farm	KM 89, Pantihan 2, Maragondon
<b>Restaurant</b>	
Green ats Restaurant, Inc	Tagaytay - Nasugbu Hwy, Tagaytay, Cavite
<b>Tourism Training Center</b>	
International School os Sustainable Tourism (ISST)	ISST Bldg., IIRR, James Yen Center, Km 39 Aguinaldo Highway, Silang, Cavite
<b>Museum</b>	
GBR Museum	Gateway Business Park, Javalera, General Trias City, Cavite

Source: Provincial Tourism and Cultural Affairs Office (PTCAO)

## Other Recreational Facilities

### Tanza

**The Nusa Dua Farm Estate** – This fertile 200-hectare residential farm features Balinese-inspired homes with expansive living spaces, as well as backyard farms where one can nurture his produce. At Nusa Dua, everyone can enjoy the comforts of home and the pleasures of hobby farming. The farm estate will have a Balinese theme, thus the name Nusa Dua. The word “Nusa Dua” means “authentic paradise” or “beautiful place”. Farming at Nusa Dua is for everybody; a relaxing and enjoyable activity for kids and adults alike. There are experts ready to teach all the things one needs to know about farming, with tools and equipment within reach. Nusa Dua brims with endless possibilities of working the soil, from horticulture to aquaculture and other farming endeavors.

## Carmona

### San Lazaro Leisure Park – San Lazaro

Leisure Park is the first "racing" facility in Asia. It is a 77-hectare (190 acres) prime property located in Carmona, Cavite, about 36 kilometers south of Metro Manila. The facility is managed by the Manila Jockey Club Inc. The casino area is situated on the fourth floor of the grandstand and is managed by Casino Filipino. The casino offers a splendid view of the sprawling racetrack, which can be compared to the best racing facilities in the world today.



**Canyon Ranch (San Lazaro Leisure Park) –** Canyon Ranch is the only first-class, private residential community in the Philippines that is ideally complimented with exceptional terrain, location and climate. It is situated in the most prime location in Carmona, Cavite, and is part of the sprawling 77-hectare San Lazaro Leisure Park. Its high elevation provides stunning views of landmark surroundings. Canyon Ranch perched on the foothills of Carmona Cavite and was built 10 storeys above ground. This master-planned community is spread out over 17 hectares of pristine land and offers spectacular views of Laguna de Bay, Antipolo, Mount Makiling and the world-class Manila Jockey Club.



### Carmona Kart Racing Circuit -

Situated in Carmona, this Kart racing venue hosts international racing competitions from countries like Malaysia, Indonesia

and Thailand. During races, families troupe the venue who wish to experience adventure and excitement. Races are scheduled but everybody can visit the place anytime as racing karts are available for rent and tryouts.

### Paragliding Site -

Paragliding Site is situated in Brgy Lantic, Carmona, Cavite in an open field. Philippine Paragliding Association discovered this place very ideal for paragliding. The season starts as soon as "hangin Amihan" comes during the last week of October and ends in early April. The flight will take about 15 minutes on air gliding along the areas of Carmona and the South Expressway where one can experience the adrenalin rush.



## Silang

**Ponderosa Leisure Farm –** Ponderosa Leisure Farms is a 53-hectare residential flower garden community located in Silang, Cavite. It is another "first of its kind" - a garden

community with residential resort features in the country. Adorned in rustic Mexican Spanish beauty, amenities

include Villa Ponderosa Clubhouse, El Refugio Meditation Garden, Campo Verde Campsite, the Las Rosas outdoor dining restaurant and the Plaza Maravilla with its flower produce market, and food and retail stores. The Leisure Farm features round-the-clock security as well as Maintenance and Care Services for hassle-free gardening.



### Gourmet Farms -

Gourmet Farms is the first organic farm in the Philippines. The Gourmet Farms, Inc complex in Silang, Cavite is a 12-hectare facility where anyone

can follow the journey of the coffee bean – from germination to brewing. This is also where their best produce and dishes are offered, living up to their farm-to-table concept. As the first organic farm in the country, its organically grown greens and culinary herbs easily find their way in hotels, cafes, and restaurants. From the farm, only the freshest and finest ingredients enter the manufacturing plant. This is where Gourmet produces their Kitchen Exclusives, a line of various sauces, dips, and dressings that everybody has learned to love. They are available in Country Store, supermarkets & groceries, and in other GF outlets. The Dining Room at Gourmet Farms showcases the best produce through Italian and Mediterranean dishes. It also has a roof deck overlooking part of the pathway leading to the Al Fresco Garden and a distant view of the activity along the highway. Special weekend lunch and dinner buffet set-ups that serve, among others, an exciting menu called "Ang Bagong Pinoy," present favorite Filipino classics like adobo, kare-kare, lechon kawali, sinigang, and pakbet with a more cosmopolitan flavor using a variety of culinary herbs grown in the farm. The place is also an events place that can host wedding receptions, birthday parties, and other big group celebrations. Gourmet's Café and Country Store at Gourmet Farms offers a selection of Filipino-Italian fusion breakfast meals, served with fresh brewed Gourmet's Coffee. Anyone can enjoy shopping for the finest selection of Gourmet Farms products including fresh and roasted coffee, herbal teas, lettuce and other organically grown greens, pesto and lettuce chips, and a wide array of sauces, dips, and dressings. It is also a popular stop for local pasalubongs and interesting souvenir items.

## Indang

**Balay Indang –** Balay Indang is a quiet and secluded bed and breakfast inn as well as a regular retreat house inconspicuously located in Indang, Cavite. Balay Indang.... is Ilokano for Bahay.... and is a calm, quiet and relaxing resort. This vast area had 17 rooms in around 4 different

cottages. The place is like a garden on a farm with several small houses prepared across a hectare of lot. There are several cavañas and cottages within pockets of garden as well as a swimming pool with a recreation or yoga area.

#### **Hacienda Isabella –**

Owned by singer Kuh Ledesma, Hacienda Isabella was named after her daughter. Hacienda Isabella is a sprawling 4-hectare bed and breakfast property with an airy, elegant white house, an expansive garden and lawn, and adjacent verandahs. The restaurant, open on weekends, serves a set menu consisting mainly of salads and pastas. Using many of Kuh's very own recipes, the menu reflects the relaxed, no-frills ambiance of the place. The place boasts several farmhouses, complete with fireplaces, to serve as cozy overnight retreats for couples or families who want to escape the city. Hacienda Isabella also has a huge garden for children to frolic in.



#### **Alfonso**



#### **Camp Benjamin –**

Camp Benjamin or CB as all fondly call it is situated in Barangay Taywanak, Alfonso. The place started with the dream of a man, yes, named Benjamin. He envisioned a highly

secured place where the soul of men can be restored and trained towards godliness and service – a learning facility at its core and a place of rest for the battle-weary. The man Benjamin died praying and saving money for the facility but never saw it built. Camp Benjamin is a hotel, resort, convention center, campsite/team building haven, integrated farm and eco-tourism facility in one. It is a center for wellness and transformation, a learning and rejuvenation facility at its core. All the facilities described coupled with well trained and service-oriented staff that restlessly drive to understand the clients' challenges are used to offer the most appropriate program for individual needs.

#### **Kampo Trexo –**

Kampo Trexo is an outdoor destination for those who want to find a respite from a confining city life that's just a 2-hour drive from Manila. Kampo Trexo offers a variety of activities that are tailor-fit to your needs. From outdoor camps to Basic Mountaineering Courses, Rest and Recreation to Outdoor Teambuilding Programs; Kampo Trexo complements one's individuality.



**Sonya's Garden –** Located just 10kms from Tagaytay, Sonya's garden is a restaurant/bed and breakfast situated amidst a charming fragrant English garden. Sonya's Garden serves the most organic herbs and world-class cuisines. It also has a spa, country store and even its bakery where you can buy freshly baked bread. With its green surroundings plus the endearing flowers of different colors, Sonya's Garden turned from a simple home to a grandiose events venue. The authenticity of their eco-friendly advocacy made this place more interesting. Lovers of organic food will certainly enjoy this place.

**The Coffee Farm House –** The Coffee Farm House is a farm and garden located on the peaceful outskirts of Tagaytay in Palumlum-Matagbak Road, Palumlum, Alfonso. A serene setting of coffee trees and flowering plants creates the perfect ambiance for a relaxing stay. It has a country lifestyle homelike atmosphere for family and friends and a more intimate setting for a seminar. The Coffee Farmhouse lets visitors experience a refreshingly new way to have a vacation. It has several recreational facilities that cover a wide range of interests like swimming, scooters, basketball, bicycles, volleyball, darts, board games, table tennis, badminton, billiards, camping, swings & hammocks and gazebo bonfire sites. The Coffee Farm House is a family farm that prides itself on its quality coffee harvest. Guided through private orchard, guests will certainly enjoy its unique country lifestyle. Walking through rows of evergreen coffee trees, birds' chirp can be overheard and the fragrance of white coffee flowers and the beauty of ripe berries can be savored. The tour is as much a sensory journey as an educational one.

#### **Mendez**

**Paradizoo –** Paradizoo is a 10-hectare theme farm and zoo, located in Mendez, Cavite. It is a self-sustained farm, as the animals are fed with the grass and plants grown within the area. It is more of a farm than a zoo since most of the animals are for livestock. Paradizoo holds an agricultural festival with activities that include, Greyhound racing, cockfighting, animal auction, educational tours, seminar on farming, gardening and fishing.

#### **Tagaytay City**

**Casino Filipino -** One of the most popular casinos in the Philippines is located in Tagaytay City. It is situated in front of Taal Vista Hotel. People from different places try their luck in this place when they are in Tagaytay City, still, others would specifically head to Tagaytay City to play in this place. Aside from the many casino games offered in Casino Filipino Tagaytay, this place also offers its guests a lot of entertainment and places of fine dining. The place also holds special events like concerts of local and foreign artists and charities. One will not miss the impressive Casino-Filipino in Tagaytay as its structure has a very large colorful crown that travelers can easily be seen when traveling on the roads of Tagaytay. In front of the main lobby, there is a beautifully landscaped small garden with a charming wishing well. People would love to throw a few coins with their wishes on this well for good luck before



trying out their luck inside the casino. Still, others would just like to have their picture taken in this beautiful place.

#### **Gratchi's Getaway -**

Gratchi's Farm is a 6-hectare stretch of natural landscape conveniently located near the Tagaytay area, five minutes away from Tagaytay-Calamba Road. Blessed with a wide range of natural features and refreshingly cool breeze of fresh mountain air, this farm resort is the perfect venue for events, conferences, seminars, team-building activities, educational tours, workshops, or simply for leisure, relaxation and wellness. The place's man-made features allow visitors to take full advantage of its clean, green environment.



#### **People's Park in the Sky -**

The Palace in the Sky was to be a presidential mansion and guest house of former Philippine president Ferdinand Marcos and former first lady Imelda Marcos. It was not completed because the Marcoses were overthrown in 1986 as a result of the people's power revolution. It was since then converted into a park. It has been opened to the public and is now also known as People's Park in the Sky. The park is an excellent vista point at over 2,100 feet above sea level with a 360 degrees view of its surroundings. To its north is the Manila Bay, to the east is Laguna de Bay, to the west is the South China Sea, and to its south is the picturesque Taal Lake and Taal Volcano. On a clear day, all of these can be viewed from the park and it has an excellent vantage for photographers. The air seems to be cool even during the hot summer months so the Palace in the Sky is also a good place to relax and cool down. It would be best to be there during a clear sunny day to have the best views of its surroundings. It is the second most visited place in Tagaytay City behind Picnic Grove and it also has a vantage view of the Tagaytay Highlands, Taal Lake, and Taal Volcano.



#### **Residence Inn Zoo**

— Residence Inn at Tagaytay City is famous for its Mini Zoo and its excellent location overlooking Taal Lake. It is a remarkably fun place

to be in. It has all the essential aspects of appreciating love for animals. The animal collections were moderate in number but great enough to be appreciated by all ages. Residence Inn provides rooms for overnight accommodation. It also offers an ideal venue for planning sessions, conferences and seminars. Each function room

can accommodate a maximum of twenty-five (25) delegates. Each delegate is assured of a memorable experience uniquely captured by Residence Inn's great combination of location, accommodation, customer service, and a variety of amusement facilities.

#### **Sky Ranch –**

Sky Ranch is a leisure park that is envisioned to be one of the definitive Tagaytay experiences for



local and foreign tourists alike. Rise within a prime 5-hectare property beside the Taal Vista Hotel, it is a complete day destination for families and groups of friends. It will offer activities such as horseback riding and Mini-amusement Park for kids. A varied selection of restaurants will provide dining with prime views of the famed Taal volcano. Additionally, a spacious 2,000 sq. m. - plus events tent will serve as a venue for rent for various events such as conferences, exhibits, concerts, expos, and even for social gatherings such as parties and reception. Ample paid parking spaces will be provided for visitors and guests. Dining can also be arranged at the numerous gazebos located along the ridge.



#### **Tagaytay Picnic Grove -**

Sightseeing and having picnics are the most popular activities to do when in Tagaytay. People troop to

Tagaytay usually on weekends to take a break from workloads. Many go to the Tagaytay Picnic Grove with family and friends to get together and have a picnic and enjoy the picturesque and marvelous view of Taal Lake and Taal Volcano. Visitors can bring their own food and just rent a cottage or picnic table inside. A barbeque place is also provided near the cottages for people who would want to grill their food. A restaurant and other food stands are available inside the premises for people who would not want to bring their own food. The Tagaytay Picnic Grove is also a popular destination among lovers because of the scenic view of the Taal Volcano and the coastal towns of Batangas and of course the fresh mountain breeze. Aside from sightseeing and picnics, the Tagaytay Picnic Grove also offers very affordable horseback riding activities both for kids and adults. There is available personnel to assist kids and adults who are not skillful in horseback riding. An eco-adventure trail is also available for nature lovers inside the premises of Tagaytay Picnic Grove. This 404-meter Eco-Adventure trail provides a very good view of the Taal Volcano, numerous plants and butterflies, and at the end is a view deck. Located at the midway of the trail is the hanging bridge. There is also the Tagaytay Ridge Zipline and Cable Car located inside the Picnic Grove. It is a thrilling ride experience of soaring up to 300 feet above ground at an approximately 60km/hr speed on a zipline

course of 250 meters long with the scenic Taal Lake and Volcano as the backdrop.

## Countryside Tourism

The Metro Tagaytay Program is significant for the tourism development of the Province. The Caviteños' warm affection, hospitality, diligence, and persistent determination to keep and enhance the countryside landscapes thru multi-crop and selected farming technologies have earned high recognition for the upland area of Cavite to be an excellent place for homestay program, categorically a component of "Countryside Tourism." This program poses a very high potential to augment the tourism industry in Cavite. Under this program, visitors are allowed to get a vigorous and enthusiastic stay in the countryside during an agreed short period of stay. Farm owners serve as hosts and guides as they willingly share their homes and their farm skills with the visitors. Under the local government unit's Adopt-A-Farm Project, coffee farms in Amadeo have become perfect tourist destinations for coffee lovers and interested farmers and researchers. Flower and vegetable farms along the windy slopes of Tagaytay Ridge, and in the fertile soils of Alfonso and Silang, provides an impressive variety of flowers bloom and crisp green, plum tomatoes and other vegetables are plenty. It was identified and recognized by the Department of Tourism as good stop-over points and homestay areas.

## Best Buy Souvenir Items, Cuisines, and Delicacies

Cavite's home-grown products and native delicacies perfectly complete the guests' visit to the province. Along with their exciting travel, lots of grand restaurants and simple eating houses offer flavorful dishes and delicacies that can fully catch everybody's sense of taste. Travelers can dine at Mushroom Burger House, Josephine's Restaurant, Max's Restaurant, Dencio's, Santi's Deli, Viewsite, Bag of Beans, and in other food chains along Tagaytay Ridge. Meanwhile, visitors especially vegetarians, prefer to take the delicious fresh salads and other dishes made with ingredients straight from the backyard farms at Gourmet Café in Silang and Sonya's Garden in Alfonso. There are also restaurants running on the coastal towns which serve fresh and hearty seaside fares. For people who want to experience Vietnamese cuisines, BAWAIS Restaurant is the place to visit which offers authentic Vietnamese food and other varieties. To experience Europe, one can try visiting Chateau Hestia just 20 meters away from Bawais, a must-try is their wide array of sausages, wines, and delectable pizza. Another experience to try is the taste of authentic Cavite dishes that one can find in Asiong's Restaurant, Cavite Republic, Malen's, and much more eating places that serve those mouthwatering dishes. There are also fine dining restaurants that can cater to the needs of high-end markets such as Antonio's, Massimo's, and Cliffhouse Inn.

Along the major roads of the province are stands selling varieties of local fruits, greenhouse flowers, and

organically-grown vegetables. Home decors, native bags, and other handcrafted products are also sold in shops in the major thoroughfares. Meanwhile, health and beauty products made from honey bee pollen and other honeybee products are readily available at Ilog Maria Honeybee Farms in Silang. The seaside towns also catch the likings of sea-food lovers for their live oysters (talaba), mud crab (alimango), mussels, and smoked fish (tinapa). For those busy hands, Cavite offers pottery-making in Silang, experience the hands on the wheel to make your handcrafted pots, cups, vases, wind chimes, and ceramic décor that will truly amaze everyone. Cruising along Governor's drive down to the municipality of Carmona, one will find the big producer of handmade and machine-made bolo owned and maintained by the Hebron Brothers. A wide variety will pop out of one's eyes inside the store. Produced products are distributed all over the country as far as Nueva Ecija and Bicol to name a few.

Finally, Cavite's unique blend of coffee, mango wine, vinegar, virgin coconut oil, and dragon fruits, which are currently processed to produce health products, can genuinely hook the taste of visitors giving them full of life and spirits as they jaunt around the province.

And if visiting Tagaytay, one should not expect any shopping mall like Robinson's or SM anywhere within the city because there's none. Tourists mostly flock here due to the cold and crisp climate which is only an hour and a half away from the bustling Metro Manila. Although shopping malls are almost non-existent in Tagaytay, it cannot be said that shopping here is not pleasurable.

Most of the goodies, cuisines, delicacies that can be found here are consumables like:

**Fruits and Vegetables** - Along the highway within the main road of Tagaytay, a short line of fresh fruits and vegetables at a reasonable price. Tagaytay fruits and vegetables are known to be fresh because of the cold climate in the city which further enhances the feature and flavor of the fruits and vegetables such as pineapples, bananas, mangoes, guayabanos and other fresh commodities, either to be brought home or to be munched along the way.

**Achara** – pickled papaya fruit

**Aling Baby's Bibingkang**

**Balinghoy** - A distinct cassava cake with unpredictable ingredients embedded within kaong, nata de coco, buko, langka and eggs. The

cassava cake is about 16 inches in diameter and is cooked bibingka-style with charcoal embers on the top and bottom. The top part of the cake is egg-washed giving it a burnt caramelized effect.







**Almondigas** - A traditional Chabacano meatball soup of Spanish-Mexican origins. The correct spelling is albóndigas, meaning meatball in Spanish, but the letter "b" was dropped

and replaced with the letter "m" during the trans-Pacific voyage. The addition of misua and patola are obviously of Chinese origin, although for many years, this very simple dish has been part of the comfort food repertoire of homes and carinderias all over Cavite.

**Arroz Valenciana** - A rice dish similar to paella but uses pork and chicken instead of seafood.

**Bacalao** - Bacalao is a constant in every Caviteño home during Lent, especially on Good Friday when abstaining from meat is observed by Catholics. It uses salted cod fish or dried labahita as the main ingredient. The dish reflects Spanish and Mexican influence through the use of garbanzos, chopped potatoes, and tomatoes along with other ingredients.

**Bibingkoy** - Bibingkoy is a time-honored kakanin for Caviteños. Patties of galapong are prepared and filled with sweetened red mongo bean paste. The patties are tightly arranged in a baking pan and cooked in the manner of bibingka. It is served with a thick soup made from coconut cream, with added pieces of sweet potatoes, strips of jackfruit and bilo-bilo. The soup is flavored with pandan and sweetened with panutsa.



#### **Café Amadeo Pahimis Blend**

- A fine coffee brew created by the Café Amadeo Development Cooperative for the launch of Pahimis festival. A blend of robusta, arabica, excelsa, and liberica coffee beans.



**Calanracas** - One of the unique dishes in the province that started as a soup dish served during wakes. Its origins came from calandra, the Chabacano word for the funeral stretcher. In the coastal towns of Cavite City, Naic, and Tanza, people pay tribute to the departed with ingredients such as vegetables, livestock, and spices. The collective offerings, having been placed on the calandra, were sorted and cut into small pieces and then thrown into a huge simmering wok containing chicken stock.



**Gatas ng Kalabaw** - Fresh carabao's milk product of General Trias Dairy Raisers, a farmers cooperative of General Trias City.

**Halayang Sampalok** - A jam made of ripe tamarind and commonly used as a spread or eaten as it is.

**Hany Choco-Peanut Bar** - A sweet treat made with peanuts, cocoa, milk, and sugar. Hany brand, which is produced by a local manufacturer in Imus City, is the pioneer in making choco-peanut bar.



**Imus Longganisa** - Local delicacy. Filipino-style sausage made of ground pork, pork fat, garlic, and spices. A special blend of these ingredients makes Imus Longganisa unique from other

Filipino sausages.

**Jacobina Biscuits** - It all began back in the 1940s after the Second World War. Noceda Bakery was founded by Paterno Noceda. He set up a small bakery within his house in Mendez, Cavite and began baking delicious bread. In 1947, he discovered the flaky, crunchy, square biscuits and named it Jacobina. In 1955, the name Jacobina was registered as a trademark at the Philippine Patent Office (now the Intellectual Property Office of the Philippines). Since then, it has become the best selling biscuit of Noceda Bakery.



**Kakanin sa Imus** - Large part of Imus used to be rice fields thus, kakanin-making was very popular even until today. Imus has the best-tasting kutsinta, lansong, and sapin-sapin.



**Kalamay Indang** - A mildly-sweet and chewy dessert made of grated coconut, glutinous rice flour, coconut cream and brown sugar.

**Kamatsile Biscuits** - Biscuits shaped like the camachile fruit. It comes in two flavors, plain and sweet.

**Kapeng Bailen** - Made of natural grown, harvested, selected ripened berries and sun dried by small upland farmers Bailen. Milled, roasted & processed into the highest quality coffee for brewing.



#### **Mango and Coffee Wine of Don Roberto's Winery**

A locally-produced fruit wine in three varieties: sweet mango, green mango, and coffee beans

