

Bus Info



HOTEL SAN JORGE

Old San Juan - Its easy to reach our UNESCO World Heritage Site in 15-25 minutes on the **T3** bus or **T21** bus - .75 (exact change only - no paper bills).

Go to the corner of Ponce de Leon Avenue and cross the street to the bus stop. Wait for the large bus that says **T3** or **T21**. Waive at the driver to make sure he stops. Drop your .75 coins in the machine and grab a seat.

T3 will go direct to Old San Juan via Ave Ponce de Leon.

As you go to Old San Juan, check out the Arts District since you'll use this bus another time to reach the Fine Arts Center, Symphony Hall, Plaza del Mercado (street opposite the big blue church), Metro Theater, Museum of Contemporary Art, Conservatory of Music, Casa Aboy Arts Center and the Fine Arts Cinema in Miramar. You'll then cross the Condado Lagoon/Yacht Club/Convention Center District before continuing into Old San Juan.

T21 will turn and go through the tourism zone and then to Old San Juan.

No matter which bus, stay on the bus to the very last stop in the bus station.

When leaving the bus terminal, walk past Banco Popular and up the hill to the old city or grab the *free trolley* that stops on the corner by the bus station. The trolley is very slow, but will bring you on a circuit that goes to The Capitol, El Moro Fort and Plaza de Armas at the center of the old city.

Condado/Old San Juan - Go to the corner of Ponce de Leon Avenue and cross the street to the bus stop. Wait for the large bus that says **T21**. The bus go down Ave Ponce de Leon and turn right onto Ave De Diego. You'll go past the Museum of Art and over the highway before turning left on Ashford Avenue and passing through the Condado Tourist Area.

You can get off just before the bus turns left on Ashford and walk to the right for Ocean Park beach. If you continue on the bus, you can get off near any of the resort hotels for beaches between the Marriott and Condado Plaza hotels.

Get off at the Marriott or La Concha Hotels for casinos. If you stay on the bus, it will cross the Condado lagoon and continue into Old San Juan.

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Ocean Park Beach - This is the best beach in San Juan and close enough to walk from the hotel. Just cross Ponce de Leon and go on Calle San Jorge all the way to the beach. It should take about 15 minutes.

When you get to the top of the hill near the historic San Mateo Church, you'll have to zig and zag to cross the street, then continue down Calle San Jorge past the Children's Hospital and over the highway to the beach. See FAQ for map.

Escambrón Beach - Use the instructions for Old San Juan or Condado but pull the yellow cord when you are on the bridge that goes over the Condado Lagoon (you'll see the Caribe Hilton & Paseo Caribe condos to your right).

You'll get off at the next stop in front of the Millennium Condo. Walk across Ave. Ponce de Leon (very busy street) and walk through the park to reach the public beach with bathrooms, showers and snack vendors. This is also the location of LA OCHO - San Juan's surfing beach and SCUBA training shack.

Isla Verde Beaches - Use the **T5** that stops on De Diego Avenue. Walk down Ponce de Leon 10 min. until Farmacia Luis, turn right and find the bus stop.

Condado Beaches - Take the **T21** bus just across the street and get off at any of the resort hotels along Ashford Avenue. *No service on Sunday*, so take the **M3** to Metro Cinema and walk right at the stoplight 7-10 min to the beach.

Carolina Public Beach - Running parallel to the airport runway, this public beach is just before the bridge to Piñones. See the instructions below for Piñones and get off the bus after you pass the Courtyard by Marriott & see beach parking.

Loiza/Piñones Beaches - This is a long strip of undeveloped beach past the airport that is famous for its informal 'beach bar' type seafood restaurants.

Take the **D45** bus from the Sagrado Corazon station of the Tren Urbano. This bus only runs only about once an hour. *No service on Sunday*.

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Plaza las Americas - Busses for the largest shopping mall in the Caribbean leave from the Urban Train station down Ponce de Leon from the hotel.

You can go to Ponce de Leon, take a left for any bus that stops in front of Euro-Space furniture store (across the street from Leonardo's Men's Fashion Store) or you can walk to the station in about 10 minutes.

The **T2** or **C22** will stop at the mall on Mon-Sat. *No service on Sunday.*

There is also a free shuttle bus that Plaza las America runs from the Roosevelt station of the Tren Urbano. This '*Pon a Plaza*' runs *M-F 11am - 3pm only.*

If you have a lot of purchases - or if you stay at the mall late, there is a taxi stand at the mall's main entrance. Approximately \$15 back to the hotel.

The Mall of San Juan - This is near the airport and features more upscale stores like Sacks Fifth Avenue, Kate Spade, Jimmy Choo and Nordstrom.

You'll have to get to the **Tren Urbano** and take it to the **Piñero station**.

Here you'll change to the **E40** bus that goes to the mall and on to the airport.

If you take a taxi back to the hotel, it should be approximately \$20-\$25.

Walmart - Go to the corner of Ponce de Leon Avenue and cross the street to the bus stop. Wait for the large bus that says **T3**.

T3 will go direct to via Ave Ponce de Leon.

When you pass the Big Blue Church and Ruben's Café - pull the cord and get off at the stop just in front of the Metro Cinema and Museum of Contemporary Art.

At the stop light, turn left past the side of the Museum of Contemporary Art and go down the hill one long block until you see Walmart and Walgreens.

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CVS Pharmacy - Our new 24 hour pharmacy should open in December 2015. Its just across from the Sagrado Corazon station of the Urban Train. You can either walk 10 minutes down Ave. Ponce de Leon or take any bus from the bus stop across from Leonardo's Men's Store on the same side of the street as the hotel and Euro-Space furniture.

Marshall's - Take the **T3** bus. After you pass the Metro Theater and Museum of Contemporary Art, it will be two more bus stops.

Pueblo Supermarket - 24 hours. Turn left on Ponce de Leon and walk about 7 minutes. You can also take the **T3** or **T21** bus for 2 stops.

Fine Arts Center/Bellas Artes - You can turn left on Ponce de Leon and walk for about 10 minutes, or take the **T3** bus across the street for 3 stops.

Convention Center - Just go down the hill to Fernandez Juncos Avenue and look for the bus stop in front of the Children's Choir building.

Mon-Sat you can take the **C35** mini-bus directly to the front door of the Convention Center. When you return, it will leave you on Ponce de Leon near Leonardo's.

You can also take the **T9** bus from the same stop which will let you off near the Hyatt House Hotel, then walk about 5 minutes.

On Sunday, you will have to take the **T3** bus on Ponce de Leon across from the hotel and get off at the stop just after the lagoon and then walk about 10-15 minutes toward the Yacht Club and Convention Center.

Centro Medico - Go to the **Urban Train** and buy a fare card to take the train to the Centro Medico stop and walk about 5 minutes. *Service every day.*

University of Puerto Rico @ Rio Piedras - Go to the **Urban Train** and buy a fare card to take the train to the Universidad stop. *Every day.*

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SJU Airport - It is possible to take a bus to/from the airport, but it will require patience (leave several hours earlier than you normally would), may require several changes - and *make sure to bring cash just in case you need a taxi.*

Busses to the airport are subject to change and generally do not run past 7pm. *Service on Sundays is only via **E40/Urban Train/T3 Bus** or walk to hotel.*

All busses stop on the upper 'departure' level of the airport.

Make sure you ask the driver if they are going in the direction of San Juan or Airport when you board. Fare is .75 exact change required (+ train fare for **E40**).

If you have a lot of luggage, you may be denied boarding or have to wait for a less crowded bus (especially on the **T5**).

- **T5 Bus:** The closest to the hotel will be the T5 bus.

This will go through Isla Verde, Calle Loiza local shopping street and then turn left on Ave. De Diego. You'll pass the PR Museum of Art and then turn right onto Ave. Ponce de Leon. Pull the cord and GET OFF at the first stop after it turns onto Ponce de Leon Ave. in front of the Fine Arts Center.

You can then cross the street and find the bus stop in front of Seccarelli Restaurant at Centro Europa. Take the **T3** bus 3 stops.

You could also walk 10 minutes on Ponce de Leon (against car traffic) to reach the hotel. *The **T5** bus does not run after 7pm or on Sundays.*

- **E40 Bus:** This bus will start/end at the **Piñero** Station of the Urban Train and go to the *departures level* of the airport and Mall of San Juan.

You will then have to buy a train fare card and take the train to/from the Sagrado Corazon Station.

Use your fare card for a free transfer on the **T3** or **T21** bus up the hill 3 stops and get off right in front of the hotel. *There is no free transfer if going by bus from the hotel to the train. Service Every Day - but slower on Sundays.*

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- **D53 Bus:** Goes from the Airport through the Condado Tourist Area.

Stay on the bus until you reach Ave. De Diego and then get off the bus near Presbyterian Hospital and St. Johns School.

You can then cross the street and take the **T21** bus which will go on De Diego Ave over the highway, past the PR Museum of Art and turn left onto Ponce de Leon Avenue.

Once the **T21** turns left onto Ponce de Leon, we are the *third bus stop* across from Leonardo's Men's Fashion Store. **No service Sunday for D53 or T21.**

Isla Grande Airport - This airport is used primarily for the short flights to Vieques and Culebra. See instructions for the Convention Center busses. .

The airport entrance is about a 7-10 minute walk past the Convention Center. There is no shade on the walk, so bring a hat or sunscreen. See instructions for Convention Center.

Cruise Ship Piers - It is usually best to take a taxi to the piers, since there is no space on the bus for luggage. However, if you need to meet someone at the pier or don't have much to carry - there are two different pier locations, so check your documents to see which pier your ship will dock:

- **Pan American Pier:** Near the Convention Center. Follow the instructions for the Convention Center bus. The ships are about 10-15 minutes walk from the Convention Center bus stops. There is no shade on the walk, so bring a hat or sunscreen.
- **Old San Juan Piers:** Across from the bus terminal in Old San Juan. Follow the instructions for Old San Juan busses. Once you reach the bus terminal, you'll see the ships just across the street. Depending on the pier, it can be a 5-12 minute walk to your ship.

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