

5th Annual 2025 Caribbean Classic



February 19-24, 2025
Willemstad, Curacao

Join Senior Softball USA as the 5th annual Caribbean Classic sails to a new island: the Dutch island of Curacao.

The island is known as a baseball and softball haven for Europeans visiting the Caribbean for better weather during the winter. Come play softball in the island's capital city of Willemstad, which offers beautiful Caribbean Sea views, local eateries and tourist recreation.

On Sunday, February 23, join the island in celebrating its cultural identity as the street of Willemstad becomes filled with music, dancing and parades, known as the Curacao Carnival. With roots of the Carnival in the 1800s, the festival is a unique blend of Dutch and African (or Curacaoan) culture.

Wednesday, February 19 (D)

USA – Curacao International Airport - Willemstad

Upon arrival to Curacao International Airport (CUR), also known as Hato International Airport, and clearing customs (see booking form for more information regarding customs), please make your way to our Hotel, the



Renaissance Wind Creek – Curacao Resort. Located in the island's capitol, this hotel is a waterfront hotel with perfect views of the Caribbean and the bay channel entrance, frequently used by cruise liners to enter the island.

This evening, meet your fellow USA players and guests at the group Welcome Dinner.

Hotel: Renaissance Wind Creek Curacao Resort - 1 Baden Powellweg, Willemstad, Curaçao (entire trip)

Thursday, February 20 (B)

Willemstad – Stadion Post 6

After breakfast at our hotel, our motorcoach will take us to the nearby softball field for practice in preparation for the two-day Caribbean Classic on Friday and Saturday.



After practice, our motorcoach will take us back to our hotel where we will embark on a city tour of Willemstad, Curacao's largest city and capitol. In addition to being a softball/baseball retreat, Willemstad is home to unique bridges, such as Queen Emma Bridge, a large pontoon bridge connecting opposite sides of the bay. The city is also host to several historical sites, such as the Curacao Synagogue (photo left), the oldest surviving synagogue in the Western Hemisphere. The city was named a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 1997.

After our tour, our motorcoach will transport us back to our hotel where the rest of the night is yours to plan and enjoy.

Friday, February 21 (B)

Willemstad – Stadion Post 6

LET THE GAMES BEGIN! Friday kicks off the first half of the 5th annual Caribbean Classic, hosted in Curacao for the first time! After breakfast at our hotel, transportation will take us to the fields. Our USA teams will play against 2-3 local Curacao teams.

After the games, players and guests will have the opportunity to mingle with the Curacao players before our motorcoach will take us back to our hotel.



Saturday, February 22 (B)

Willemstad – Stadion Post 6



Saturday is the final day of the Curacao Caribbean Classic. After breakfast at our hotel, our motorcoach will transport us to the fields.

After the games conclude, there will be an awards ceremony and a chance to exchange gifts and contact information with the Curacaoan players.

Our motorcoach will transport us back to our hotel.

The rest of the evening is free to relax or explore the city.

Sunday, February 23 (B, D)

Willemstad – Curacao Carnival

After breakfast, the day is yours to plan and enjoy, but we highly recommend the annual Curacao Carnival.

A unique blend of Dutch and African culture fills the streets of Willemstad and the island's small towns. Parades along with street music and dancing are common during the day, eateries cook local cuisines for the crowds and vendors line the streets.



A few tips for the Carnival: [Click here](#) to learn more about the events of the Carnival, such as the Gran Marcha and the Burning of King Momo. This resource will also help you plan which events to attend. Dress comfortably, wear sunscreen and drink plenty of water; the Curacao sun can be intense. Bring cash for vendors and food; while some vendors accept card payments, some will not. And lastly, have fun! The carnival is about participation. Join in the fun!

In the evening, the Farewell Dinner will be provided for US players and guests before returning home with memories to last a lifetime.

Monday, February 24 (B)

Willemstad – Curacao International Airport - USA

After breakfast, we check-out of our hotel and board our motorcoach for a group transport to the airport.

Tour Highlights:

- Welcome Dinner.
- 4-star beachfront resort and accommodations.
- Motorcoach and other transportation as listed.
- 5 breakfasts, and 2 dinners as listed.
- Half day Softball Practice as listed.
- City tour of Willemstad as listed.
- 2-day "Curacao Caribbean Classic" Tournament as listed.
- USA uniforms for all players and guest jerseys for all guests or spouses.
- Curacao Carnival festivities on Sunday, February 23.
- Farewell Dinner.
- Transport to airport for departure flights as listed.

What's not included:

- Round-trip airfare to Curacao/Willemstad and back to the USA.
- All items of a personal nature: i.e., telephone calls, laundry, pay TV, hotel mini bars, etc.
- All meals not specified in the itinerary.
- All entrances to museums, art galleries, etc. not specified in the itinerary.
- All private excursions not specified in the itinerary.
- Any public transport, taxi, local bus or motorcoach, ferry, rail or flights not specified in the itinerary.
- Luggage handling at airports and hotels.
- Travel insurance (medical, travel delays and lost baggage).
- Tipping.
- Currency exchange supplement, (if required).
- Any pay-for experience associated with the Curacao Carnival.
- Any required COVID tests to enter or leave Curacao.

For more information, email Nic Francois at: nic@seniorsoftball.com.

We look forward to seeing you on the trip!