

## Be back, Bohol

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To listen to the world-famous Loboc Choir -- that's one. And we have listed more reasons to return to Bohol. We are bringing some friends who are all eager to discover why Bohol is giving the popular Boracay a run for its money as the country's top tourist destination. We already told them about Panglao Resort, Bohol Beach Club, Chocolate Hills, Loboc River, Baclayon Church and the Philippine Tarsier, the world's smallest primate.

And we are definitely taking a Bohol fanatic of a friend to the excursion, for all the right reasons. He is a regular visitor and in fact has grown to love the place to the point of renting a house he pays a year in advance to save him hotel fees, to park his car -- exclusively for pleasure-tripping around the island, to make way for overnight videoke wailing and of course to please us, his singing buddies, with two rooms to spare. When he told things about this Bohol Bee Farm, two 'organically-inclined' female friends felt hot and bothered. 'There are rows and rows of salad greens alongside the dirt road leading to the lobby&hellip; everything served here is organic and healthy.' The boys are fine with salads but a large bowl of lettuce topped with something like magenta petals is something to reckon with. A mix of edible flowers whipped with perhaps Bohol's famous sweet 'kalamay'&hellip;my mind is working on it. Anyway, my friend laid out the sure things: warm kamote bread and freshly-baked squash muffins, organic pasta selections, vegetables omelet served with rice &ndash; brown rice, of course. You wash down all this with basil iced tea &ndash; now that's interesting. He puts us all guessing to what and how viands are done, the organic way. One flippant friend loved the idea of a testicles casserole &ndash; organic, indeed. Yet one estimated on crispy bees with honey dip -- cute. Starbucks are keyed up on trying the steaming corn coffee only to be saddened by the news that it has no caffeine content &ndash; aware of the pitch that 'coffee has more antioxidants than green tea.' Then again, the people at Honey Bee Farm can always spike that one with, who knows&hellip;dried poppy flowers? Bantering aside, everybody's excited knowing that it is all healthy stuff. What's yours? Tell us your Bohol experience.