





# PEARL LAGOON



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PARADISE  
KAYAKS & SUPS  
WATERMAN, SUPPLY &  
RENTALS



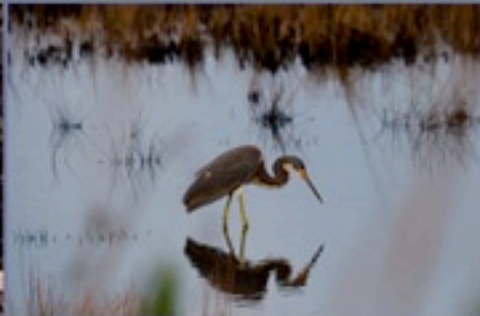
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# WELCOME • YAMNI BALRAM BUITI BACHULURUN • BIENVENIDOS



## Welcome to the Undiscovered Caribbean

Enjoy local foods • Wildlife watching • Turtle nesting at night • Fishing in lagoon and ocean  
Hiking and mountain biking • Visit the cays • Visit traditional villages • Boat tours

# Communities of the Pearl Lagoon Basin

*Caribbean Sea*

THE PEARL CAYS

- Miskitu
- Garifuna
- Creole

5 0 5 Kilometers

Marshall  
Point

Orinoco

San Vicente

La Fe

Brown Bank

Kakahbila

Raitipura  
Awes

Pearl Lagoon

Haulover

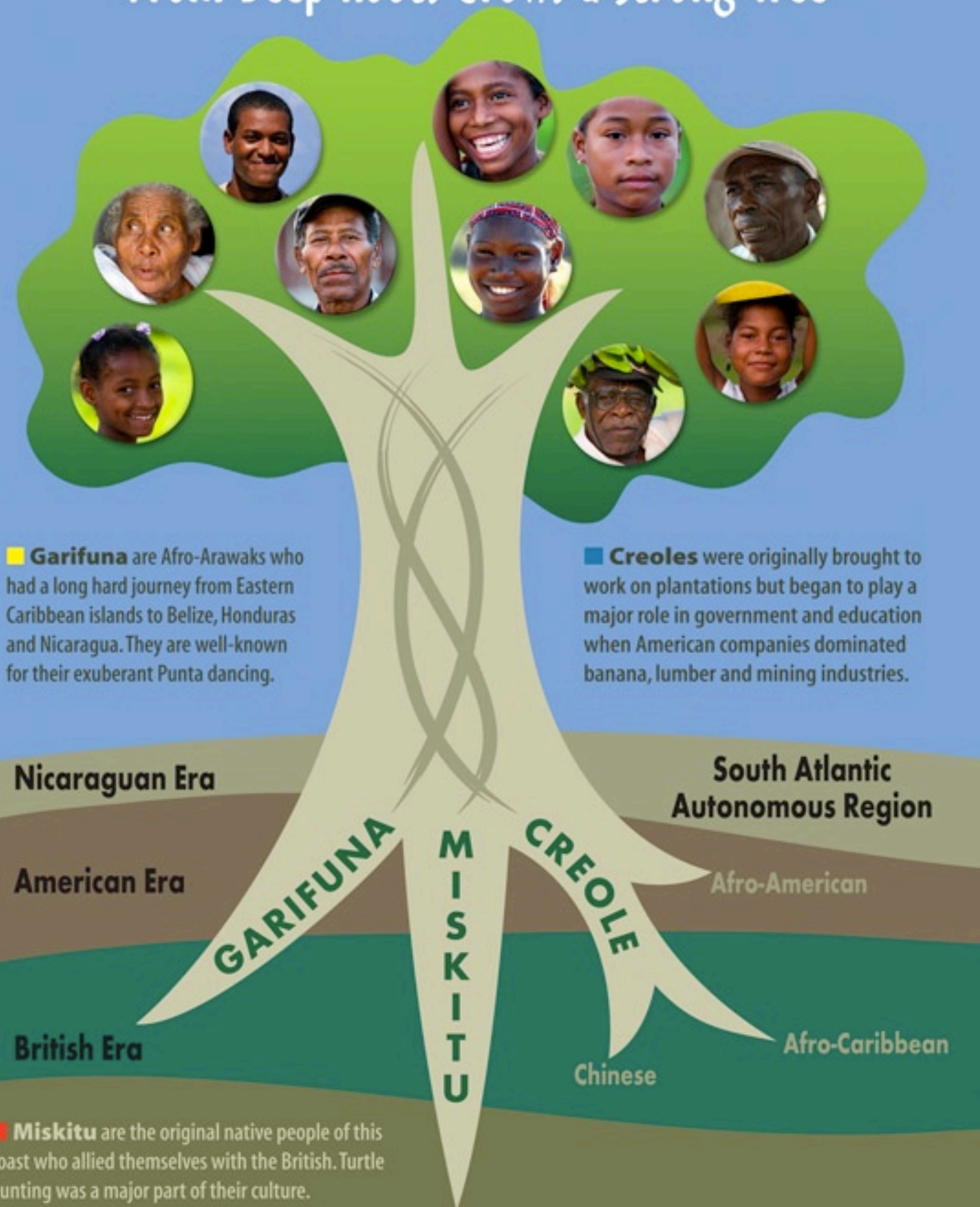
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# From Deep Roots Grows a Strong Tree





# THE PEARL CAYS ARE PRECIOUS

These islands are important nesting and feeding areas for sea turtles and birds.

Their sandy beaches, reefs, turtle grass beds, and mangrove forests provide important habitat for wildlife.

They are also traditional sources of water, food, and building material for local peoples.

These 18 small, beautiful islands are just over an hour's boat ride from town.

You can snorkel, swim, fish, or just relax in a hammock.

Day trips to the cays are available through experienced local guides.



# THIS IS A SPECIAL PLACE FOR MARINE TURTLES



It is the most important feeding ground for green turtles.

Four of the seven species of marine turtles are found here: green, hawksbill, loggerhead, and leatherback.

This is the largest nesting area for hawksbill turtles from Belize to Costa Rica.

Green turtles that nest in Tortugero, Costa Rica, the most important nesting area, come here to feed for much of the year.

Turtles found here have come from as far away as the Azores off the coast of Spain, Brazil, and Bermuda.



Leatherback Turtle



Loggerhead Turtle



Hawksbill Turtle



Green Turtle





# Thanks for your visit!



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