

The City of Dumaguete:

An Emerging Retirement Paradise

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Known to be the City of Gentle People, Dumaguete City is now gaining the limelight of being one of the best places to retire in by expatriates, not just in the country, but in the world.

This capital city of Negros Oriental is considered to be the most populous in the province with a significant number of expatriates. When the Philippines made it in the Forbes' list of "The 7 Best Places in the World To Retire in" and "20 Best Foreign Retirement Havens for 2015", Dumaguete City appeared on the list together with Tagaytay City, and Subic Bay. As stated in Forbes' list, the place is one of the best destinations for a budget beachfront living and is among the cheapest place in the world to live in according to Retiree Overseas Index.

A foreigner will already be able to have a comfortable life in the city with just a budget of around \$800 - \$1200 per month. With that budget,

an expatriate can have a good accommodation or housing, clothing, transportation fares, and payment for utilities or other expenses.

Dumaguete is well-known for its various beachfront real estate and resort properties which are comparatively more affordable than in other islands of the country. These accommodations cater to a lot of tourists and expatriates. It's also sought-after because of the laid-back kind of living. There is a steady influx of foreigners in the municipality since it is accessible and has its own airport.

Aside from relishing to its pristine beaches, those adventurous spirits can also enjoy snorkelling and exploring the rich marine biodiversity since

Negros Oriental is also proud of its decreasing crime rate every year which is a very important factor since safety and security is on top of the priorities of expatriates in choosing their home.

The City of Dumaguete is one of the many proofs that the Philippines is blessed with more than enough natural wonders to be a paradise and home for everyone, regardless of one's nationality.

