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## About CAPIZ, Philippines

**Capiz** is a province of the Philippines located in western Visayas region. The capital is Roxas City and is located at the northeastern portion of Panay Island. Capiz is known for its mother-of-pearl shells that have the same name. When the Spaniards established a settlement, they found an abundance of mollusk called `pios` or `kapis`, the old native name which also come to known as Capiz. Capiz is known as the "Eco-Cultural Tourism Hub of Central Philippines", the "Center of Seafood - Trip - Tourism in the Country, and the Garden Capital of Western Visayas."

**Dialects:** Capiznon and Hiligaynon are the local dialects. Filipino is the National language. English is the business language and spoken widely.

**Weather:** Mostly dry from December to May and wet from June to November; coolest from October to February and hottest from March to May. Temperatures varies in most places, the high and low average temperatures are 33°C (91°F) and 19°C (66°F).

**Population:** 701, 664- (2007 census).

## Some of the many Cultural and Historical Attractions of Capiz

- \* Birthplace of Pres. Manuel A. Roxas. (The 1st President of the Philippine Republic)
- \* Biggest Bell in Asia, housed in the belfry of Sta. Monica Catholic Church (1774) Panay, Capiz.
- \* The second Spanish settlement in the country.
- \* The first Province outside Luzon to revolt against Spain.
- \* Roxas City Bridge (Formerly Capiz Bridge) was built in 1910 by the Americans overlooking the Panay River.
- \* Panublion Museum -1910
- \* Olotayan Island
- \* Suhot cave and Spring
- \* Pawa mangrove Reforestation
- \* Baybay Beach
- \* Pilar caves
- \* Hinulugan falls
- \* Culajao Mangrove Eco- Park
- \* Agtalin Shrine
- \* Sinadya sa Halaran Festival
- \* Pangilatan Falls