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The 2,000-year-old Terraced Rice Terraces of Ifugao, acclaimed as the Eighth Wonder of the World.

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The Chocolate Hills in Bohol consist of 365 conical mounds (approximately 1200).



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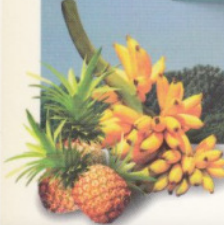
Spectacular Heritage of Palawan's Underground River

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Taal Volcano in Batangas, a volcano within a lake within volcano within a lake



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'Barrio Quirino' of Vigan.

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Mount Apo in Mindanao, Philippines, the highest mountain in the Philippines.

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Warm Over Winter



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002 - HOUSES OF WAX
Inspired by the UNESCO World Heritage list for its 180 eighteenth century "historic mansions" made of machine-turned wax, baroque, rococo and intricate metal grills on colorfasted streets, an exciting testimony to the grandeur of the world.
Photo courtesy of the Philippine Convention & Visitors Corporation

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No typhoons yet so enjoying plenty of sunshine. Very busy seeing old friends & sitting in traffic jams

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01 PHIL UNDERGROUND RIVER
Manila's most scenic attraction is its underground river, set to be the longest in the world. It has many superb limestone formations and passages that can be explored on foot.
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Hope you're getting back in your home by now I've got a lot of BULLETINS and new 2002 Catalogue Supplements for you

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PHILIPPINE SAGE
Also known as the "warbler nesting eagle" has a wing span of two meters and a height of one meter. It is the one of the most powerful and the second largest in the world. Endemic to the rainforests of Luzon, Samar, Iloilo and Mindanao.
Photo courtesy of the Philippine Convention & Visitors Corporation

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Lovely weather in Manila but dreadful traffic as usual

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TAAL VOLCANO
The smallest volcano in the world. A volcano within a lake within a volcano within a lake.
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I'm sending you the set of 8 Post Cards

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BORACAY
Boracay island is rated as one of the best beaches in the world. With sugar white sand beaches and azure blue waters, hundreds of resorts have transformed it into a party paraiso with updated nightlife and a congregation of bar and restaurants.
Photo courtesy of Mr. George Tapan

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As you can expect, these wonderful cards are almost unknown & difficult to find anywhere in the Philippines

I plan to mail all 8 to you for your collection, if I can find them

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ANNAKE RICE TERRACES
According to the Guinness World of the World, the 2,000 year old Banawe Rice Terraces, were built by the Ifugos, one of the oldest tribes in the Philippines, to enable the mountain-dwelling Ifugos to farm. From 1935 to 1948, the terraces would reach a total length of 14,000 miles, more than halfway around the world.
Photo courtesy of President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo's photo courtesy of Mr. Herold Cortes

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Getting good coverage of WIMBLEDON on STAR SPORTS-TV every evening but who will win - FERRERO? is my pick

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MAPOA VOLCANIC
Mt. Apo is the highest peak in the Philippines. It is also one of the most active volcanoes in the world.
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Spent quite a while in the Central Post office to-day.

Your old friend Lourdes Antelo was away in BAER, QUEZON for PHIL-SPANISH FRIENDSHIP DAY

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CHOCOLATE HILLS
Local legend says that the 1,268 limestone hills of Borac which cover three towns are the hardened tops of a giant whose love was unrequited. They are called the Chocolate Hills due to their brown hue in summer.
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