



**KULARTS PHILIPPINE TRIBAL TOUR 2009**  
**Tribes of Mindanao**  
**January 15-30, 2009**

Since 2002, Kularts has conducted the annual **Tribal Tour**. Unlike traditional tourism, this is a hands-on field study, custom-designed for participants to explore indigenous Pilipino culture through direct interaction with indigenous communities partaking in cultural events, craft demonstrations, and traditional rituals. The trip will provide exciting opportunities to meet community leaders, spiritual guides, and masters in a multitude of tribal indigenous art forms.

- Immerse yourself in the beauty of the Southern Philippines – its lush natural environment and its ornate, detailed architecture, featuring the elegance of Maranao carving arts
- Meet the people who live and work in their ancestral homeland
- Be a part of traditional rituals and community gatherings
- Enjoy a variety of traditional dance, music and tribal arts
- Take advantage of cultural events, performances, craft demonstrations, workshops, festivals and lectures on current indigenous social and political struggles
- Savor the flavors of traditional Philippine cuisine unique to each region

**The cost of the 2009 tour is \$1,700 per person plus a \$50 non-refundable application fee.**

This price covers land only.

Cost does not cover international or domestic airfare to/within the Philippines.

This price includes:

- Philippine land transportation
- Daily breakfast
- Housing (both home stays and 3 star hotels)
- Coordination and translation costs
- Fees for all cultural activities, performances and workshops

**Schedule of Payments - Cash, checks and credit cards accepted.**

Payments for the Tribal Tour may be made in full, or you may choose to follow the payment plan below:

- October 1, 2008                      Application, including \$50 non-refundable application fee
- October 15, 2008                    \$300 1<sup>st</sup> payment due
- November 1, 2008                  \$700 2<sup>nd</sup> payment due
- December 1, 2008                  \$700 3<sup>rd</sup> payment due

**Application Eligibility Requirement**

Please note that there is an application and interview process for each prospective tour member. Eligibility for participation in this tour requires contacting Kularts for an application and meeting the Participant Qualifications. **The application deadline w/ \$50 non-refundable fee is October 1, 2008**

In order to be eligible for selection, you must meet the following Participant Qualifications:

- Must hold a current U.S. Passport (if a U.S. Citizen) or a legal VISA (if not a U.S. Citizen)
- Must be 21 years of age or older
- Ability to participate in walking tours and moderate physical activity
- Ability to embrace local traditions and rustic living conditions
- Interest in actively participating in a cultural exchange with indigenous people
- Ability to contribute positively to a group dynamic
- Ability to live communally and acclimate to rustic, non-western conditions of the tribal communities
- Completion of required health form, listing any health problems, special dietary needs, and physical conditions.

**IF YOU ARE SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS FIELD STUDY**

**\*\* fees are non-refundable after October 15, 2008**

**\*\* you must sign a liability agreement stating that unless the tour is canceled, fees are non-refundable after October 15, 2008.** We recommend the purchase of travel insurance in case of personal emergency or tour cancellation.