

## MARIANAS VISITORS AUTHORITY News Release

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## TASTE OF THE MARIANAS DATE CHANGE

**Saipan, Northern Mariana Islands (NMI)** – The Marianas Visitors Authority has changed one date of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Taste of The Marianas International Food Festival & Beer Garden in June 2022 on the island of Saipan.

This year's festival will be held from 5-10 p.m. on June 18, 19, 24, 25, & 26, at Garapan Fishing Base. The Taste of The Marianas is organized by the Marianas Visitors Authority (MVA) and will feature two weekends of some of the destination's best cuisine and entertainment. The event dates also coincides with the Northern Marianas Pacific Mini Games 2022, which is expected to attract nearly 2,000 athletes and officials.

"To best coordinate with the events schedule of Pacific Mini Games, we will also hold the festival on Friday, June 24," said MVA Managing Director Priscilla M. Iakopo. "We hope all our visitors will have the opportunity join us and enjoy this taste of The Marianas."

The annual signature event of the MVA will feature affordable dishes from local eateries, live entertainment, and arts and crafts sales. The venue, vendor registration information, and other details will be announced once confirmed.

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The MVA will also host Saipan Marathon on April 9, 2022.

FILE: The Taste of The Marianas International Food Festival & Beer Garden was held in August 2021 on Saipan. The 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Taste of The Marianas International Food Festival & Beer Garden will be held at Garapan Fishing Base on Saipan on June 18, 19, 24, 25 & 26, 2022.

The Marianas is an archipelago of 14 islands - including Saipan, Tinian, and Rota - in the Western Pacific. The Marianas are home to indigenous Chamorro and Carolinian people, as well as over 20 different ethnicities from around the world who live and work in this harmonious tropical paradise. Ancient latte stone limestone monoliths, traditional nature-based ocean navigation not reliant on modern technology, and a culture seasoned by East and West influences are just a few of the experiences found in The Marianas, where pristine sea, sand, and skies are only a 3-4 hour flight from major Asian gateway cities. The Marianas is the first destination with a travel bubble agreement with South Korea, with direct flights from Seoul-Incheon and Busan. United Airlines flies daily from Guam. Interisland travel to Rota and Tinian is provided by Star Marianas, or Instagram @themarianas.