Driving Tour: Ruta de las Flores

The Flower Route winds through a series of charming villages, offering a mix of thriving artisan culture, rich coffee and access to waterfalls and natural bathing pools.

Start Sonsonate
Distance 50km
Duration Two days

1 Begin your drive or catch the chicken bus in Sonsonate, and head directly to Juayúa.

2 In Juayúa, attend a weekend food festival and hike to waterfalls and springs. Spend the night.

3 Roll on to Salcoatitán, with its cobblestone streets and tiny art galleries.

4 Continue to El Salvador’s second-highest town, Apaneca, and hop on a canopy or dirty buggy tour.

5 Head on to Ataco to check out some brightly colored murals, colonial buildings and a spring-fed pool.

6 Finish in the prosperous, provincial capital of Ahuachapán, and visit the area’s steaming mud pits.

Take a Break: Stop for a cup of joe at the delightful El Jardin de Celeste.