

Trinidad Lake Asphalt


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In March 1595, Sir Walter Raleigh, explorer and soldier of Queen Elizabeth I of England, landed on the island of Trinidad, where he discovered the source of the world's finest natural asphalt..

Since the development of the modern global highway system, Sir Walter's discovery has played a major role in the production of strong, safe and durable pavements.

Sir Walter immediately recognised the high temperature stability of his find, as recorded in his diary. Four hundred years later, highway users worldwide benefit from the unique naturally-occurring properties of Trinidad Lake Asphalt.



*.. from thence I rowed to anchor port called by the natives Piche and by the Spaniards Tierra de Brea. ... At this point called Tierra de Brea or Piche there is that abundance of stone pitch that all the shipped of the world may be there with laden from thence, and wee made triall of it in trimming our shippes to be **most excellent, good**, and melteth not with the Sunne as pitch of Norway, and therefore for shippes trading South partes very profitable.*

“Most Excellent Good”

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J.F.K. International Airport, New York

Trinidad Lake Asphalt is mined and refined in Trinidad, West Indies.

It is presently exported to over thirty nations throughout the world.

Although some twelve million tons of Lake Asphalt have been extracted over the past century, current reserves exceed five hundred years at present usage.

Since laboratory records commenced in 1892, the physical and chemical composition of Trinidad Lake Asphalt has remained totally constant.

TRINIDAD LAKE ASPHALT

An unique naturally occurring asphalt binder for improving the performance of hot mix asphalt pavements in highways, bridges, airports, tunnels and other heavy duty sites.

When mixed with regular liquid asphalt, Trinidad blends provide major pavement performance benefits:

- better mix stability, especially at high temperatures
- increased strain performance and crack reduction at low temperature
- improved skid resistance and flexibility
- increased durability and better whole life performance

and other allied improvements.

TRINIDAD LAKE ASPHALT

Formed by nature - proven by world highway engineers over a hundred years.

For more information, please contact your distributor.



George Washington Bridge, New York